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GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792-1899.

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U.S. Mint At Philadelphia,
1791-1936

Correspondence, 1792-1904

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792 - 1899

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / SEPTEMBER

To
Supt U. Assay Office
New York

Modification of regulations
prescribed on 6th
Inst. —

Special File

Sept 24, 1859.

Adjutant of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept 24, 1857.

Sir,

In view of peculiarities of the silver business at your office, as they have been presented to me in conversation with Mr. Manning, I am induced to present the following modification of the regulations heretofore prescribed touching the charges to be made on deposits.

In the 5th item of the 1st clause of the regulations prescribed in my letter of the 6th inst. and contained in the printed slips, I now substitute the following graduated scale of charges

5. On Silver Bullion payable in Gold Bars

Bars bearing the stamp of any U. S. Mint establishment of a fineness of 980 + $\frac{1}{2}$ cent purg. 984

Other silver ——— 950 + $\frac{1}{2}$ cent purg. 984

750 0949 2 cts. " " "

600 0749 2 1/2 cts. " " "

600 3 " " " "

Silver

I also determine to modify the regulation contained in my letter of the 25th inst. thus:

Silver bullion contained in gold deposits, and parted for the benefit of the depositor may

to be for at his option, in fine silver bars
or in silver dollars, at a charge in either case
of 50 cents per \$100 of value.

These regulations are to take effect
on and after the 1st October next.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Borden,
Director of the Mint.

Sam. F. B. Borden Esq.,
Capt. U. S. Army, Officer,
New York B.

Sir,

In view of peculiarities of the Silver business at Your Office, as they have been presented to me in conversation with Mr. Dunning, I am induced to present the following modification of the regulations heretofore prescribed touching the charges to be made on deposits.

For the 5th item of the 1st Clause of the regulations prescribed in my letter of the 6th inst. ^{and contained in the printed slips,} I now substitute the following graduated scale of charges:

5. On Silver Bullion payable in Fine Bars.

Bars bearing the stamp of any U.S. Mint establishment ^{of a fineness} ~~above~~ ^{of} 980 ^{+ above} $\frac{1}{2}$ cent per oz. gross.

Other silver ——— 950 + above, — 1 cent per oz. gross.

750 @ 949

2 cents " " "

600 @ 749

2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " " "

below

600

3 " " " "

I also determine to modify the regulation contained in my letter of the 21st inst. thus:

Silver Bullion contained in gold deposits, & parted for the benefit of the depositor, may be paid for at his option ~~either~~ in fine silver bars or in silver dollars, at a charge in either case of 50 cents per \$100 of value.

These regulations are to take effect on & after the 1st October next.

S. F. B.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept 27, 1859.

Sir.

The following modification of the regulations heretofore prescribed touching the charges to be made on deposits, is presented.

For the 5th item of the 1st clause of the regulations prescribed in my letter of the 8th inst. and contained in the printed slips, I now substitute the following graduated scale of charges.

5. On Silver Bullion payable in Fine Bars.

Bars bearing the stamp of any U. S. Mint establishment of a fineness of 980 + above $\frac{1}{2}$ cent per oz gross

Other silver 950 + above 1 " " " "

750 @ 949 2 " " " "

600 @ 749 $2\frac{1}{2}$ " " " "

below 600 3 " " " "

Silver bullion contained in gold deposits, and parted for the benefit of the depositor, may be paid for at his option, in fine silver bars or in silver dollars, at a charge in either case of 50 cents per \$100. of value

If desired by the depositor silver bullion may be formed into ingots or bars without refining or toughening the same. In such case there will be an uniform charge of 50 cents per \$100, on the value of the deposit calculating the same at the rate of 116 $\frac{4}{11}$ cents per standard ounce, which charge shall be available for the ordinary expenses of the Mint. The bars will be stamped with the fineness and number of ounces only: that is to say the calculated value will be omitted.

These regulations are to take effect on and after the 1st proximo.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

J. H. Walton Esq,
Treasurer,
U. S. Mint.

Director of the Mint

Phila.

Sep. 27/59

Very Respectfully

Samuel R. Smith

Director of the Mint

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept 27, 1859.

Sir.

The following modification of the regulations heretofore prescribed touching the charges to be made on deposits is presented.

For the 5th item of the 1st clause of the regulations prescribed in my letter of the 8th inst. and contained in the printed slips, I now substitute the following graduated scale of charges.

5. On Silver Bullion payable in Fine Bars.

Bars bearing the stamp of any U. S. Mint establishment of a fineness of 980 + above $\frac{1}{2}$ cent per oz gross

Other silver 950 + above 1 " " " "

750 @ 949 2 " " " "

600 @ 749 2 1/2 " " " "

below

600

3 " " " "

Silver bullion contained in good deposits, and parted for the benefit of the depositor, may be paid for at his option, in fine silver bars or in silver dollars, at a charge in either case of 50 cents per \$100 of value.

If desired by the depositor silver bullion may be formed into ingots or bars without refining or lengthening the same. In such case there will be an uniform charge of 50 cents per \$100 on the value of the deposit calculating the same at the rate of 116 $\frac{7}{8}$ cents per standard ounce, which charge shall be available for the ordinary expenses of the Mint. The bars will be stamped with the fineness and number of ounces only: that is to say the calculated value will be omitted.

These regulations are to take effect on and after the 1st proximo.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint

J. H. Norton Esq,
Treasurer
U. S. Mint,

To

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r. U. S. Mint
Phil^a

Modification of charges
recently prescribed on
deposits -

Charge of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent to
be imposed on unrefined silver bars
Sept 27, 1859.

Special File

New York, 28th Sept. 1859.

No. 27 Cooper Institute

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor
of yesterday, I hereby offer Seventy
five per cent. of the Mint value of
the Gold & Silver present in the Sweep-
stake indicated by the Philad.^a Mint Assoc.
for the Fifth Bid of Mint Sweep, now
in the store of J. H. Macy, of this city.
My offer is for the whole lot, and
not for a part. I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Obedt. Servt.

J. W. Fairman.

Col. James B. Snowden,
Director U. S. M. Philad.^a

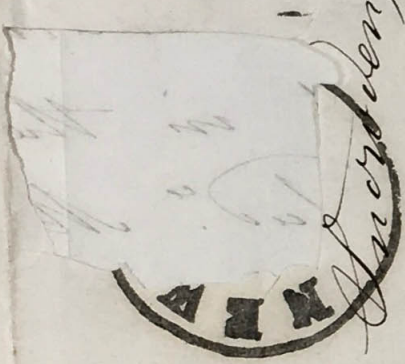
Wm
Dr J W Lamm
N.Y

Put for Snaps,

Sept 29, 1839



Col. James Ross Anderson,
Director N. S. Mount,
Philadelphia,



New York September 27th 1860.

Col. S. Ross Snowden

Director U.S. Mint

Philadelphia.

Sir,

In consequence of a conversation I had today with John S. Place Esq. of this City I take the liberty to address you in regard to a little lot of Swedish Sticks, which I have received for sale.

I would like to hear from you, whether I can dispose of it to the Mint with a view to make a contract for the article. My friends in Hamburg, Germany, write me that they can furnish quantities of this article at 45¢ per 100 pounds delivered here in New York, guaranteeing the ore to contain 60 lbs. of sticks & more, submitting to the analysis of any respectable chemist in this city.

I have on hand just now only 5 cases about 550 lbs in all.

Expecting your reply, I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant

J. H. Stedman

P.O. box 2453.

From
A. Redenbury
New York



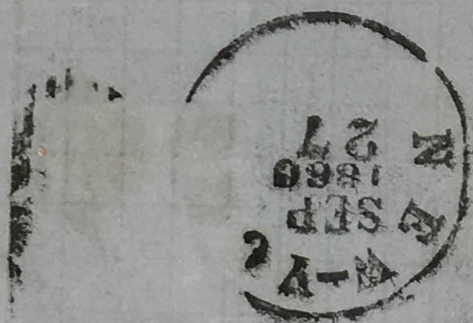
Michael
Sept 29, 1866.

From

Michael

Director U.S. Mint

Box 1, New York



Sept 29. 60.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of yesterday I have to state that, as we are issuing but few cents very little Nickel is required for our operations, and as the quantity we have on hand ~~is~~ ^{will be} sufficient for some time to come, I do not wish to purchase any further supplies of the article in question.

Very Respectfully,

E. B. Richardson
Director of the Mint

A. Keating Esq
P.O. box 2750
New York.

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

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Chef Clerk U. S. Mint

order for discharge
Jm Gilchrist

Sept 29. 1839.

Stark from the 10th of the last month
of the month.

I enclose in your communication
in reference to the reports of the ladies &
you will please note that they are
made as respectfully as possible

Very truly,
Your obedient servant,
James B. Thompson,
Director of the West

Geo. H. Clark Esq
Chicago
New York

September 29

Dear Sir,

It becomes my unpleasant duty, in
virtue of ~~the~~ the fact stated in your report
for this month, to discharge William Schmidt.
We have repeatedly considered the misconduct
and bad habits of this individual on
account of his having accordingly been
mentioned in the ~~report~~ ^{report} of the ~~meeting~~ ^{meeting} and
from more sympathetic ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~interest~~ ^{interest}
on several occasions. When I had previously
only discharged him for his ~~incompetence~~
~~habit~~ ^{habit} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~neglect~~ ^{neglect} ~~of duty~~ ^{of duty}. But
his ~~last~~ ^{last} ~~offense~~ ^{offense} ~~which~~ ^{which} you have brought to my
notice renders his discharge an in-
evitable duty on my part. We exhibit
a want of more ~~firmness~~ ^{firmness} which we
get, have to be an ~~example~~ ^{example} of the
Point. God will bless ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~cause~~ ^{cause} the
name of William Schmidt to be

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a Sept 30, 1859.

Gentlemen,

The fine silver and Nickel medals
requested in your favor of the 13th inst will be ready
to forward to you in the course of a day or two. In the
meantime please remit me the cost of the medals, viz,
One Hundred and Five Dollars (\$105⁷⁴)

To
Messrs Rathbone, Son & Co
Regent Com^{ts}
Fleet Street
Leicester
Pⁿ

Medals ready to be
forwarded - request
remittance in payment
of same

Sept 30. 1889.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept. 30. 1859.

Gentlemen,

The fine silver and nickel medals requested
in your letter of the 13th inst. will be ready to forward to
you in the course of a day or two. In the meantime
please permit me the cost of the medals viz. One
Hundred and Five Dollars (\$105⁷).

Very Respectfully,
James P. Donaldson,
Director of the Mint

Messrs Rathron, Howell,
and Reigent, Committee to
Fulton Institute,
Lancaster,
Pa.

Brooklyn. Sept. 30 / 59

Mr Jam^s Robt. Snowden

Dear Sir

We find in
weighing the Tare of the four ke of Brown Mint
sweets that you fall short 125 lbs. which you
will please make good. The weight of each
is as follows.

Yours Respectfully
Rabman Jones
Rabman. Jr

No.	lbs	Tare	Shot	
No. 1.	48 lbs	28	Shot	20
" 2 "	77	28.		49 = 69. lbs @ \$14. per 100 ^{lbs} \$9.66
" 3.	43 lbs	3 lbs	"	
" 4	79 "	30 "	"	49 = 5 lbs @ \$28.100 ^{lbs} 15.12
				\$25.34

Min. of the United States.
Philadelphia Oct 11. 1854.

Gentlemen.

I have received your letter
of yesterday.

It appears that the person who
weighed in for 34 maps recently purchased
by your report is the same as if it
had been ascertained by actual weighing instead
of stating that he had retained the same.

Enclosed please find my check
for \$25.34 in settlement of the difference per your
statement.

Very Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

Wm. R. Longman & Co.,
130 N. 2d St.
New York.

Amount
of

R. Longman & Sons

Brooklyn
N.Y.

Error in report of Fare
4 Bbls, Suez. -

Check for \$25.34

enclosed

Oct 1, 1859.

To
Sec Treasury
Washington City

Two Letters

Count of Monies
in Treasury & Ass't.
Treasury Office

Sept 30, 1859,

Chief of the United States
Philadelphia September 30, 1857.

Sir,

As required by the 12th Section of the act of 6th of August 1846, and the regulations of the Department, I have made the examination of the books, accounts and money on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the U. States at Philadelphia, and find the following balances in gold and silver coin, viz:

General Treasury Fund \$233,024.94

Post Office Monies 46,014.83

U. S. Loans 24,577.99

Coupons 18,310.00

Disbursements Fund 18,310.00

Corresponding with the balances as stated upon the account books in that Office.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Samuel R. Chace
Director of the Mint.

Harriett A. Cobb,

Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, September 30. 1859.

The usual monthly count and examination made at the Mint at the close of business to-day exhibited the following balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint viz:

In Gold Coins, \$	65,098.92
In Silver Coins,	127,636.64
In Copper Coins,	1,301.37
In Ordinary Fund,	36,980.51
San Francisco Branch Fund	1,677.00
Repair Fund	24.57
	232,719.03

agreeing with the balance stated upon his books of account.

An examination into the condition of the Mint generally, gave satisfactory evidence that the business of the institution is conducted with care and fidelity.

I have the honor to be, With great respect,
Your faithful servant,

Wm. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D.C.

Samuel R. Thompson,
Director of the Mint.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Statement of the condition of the Branch Mint at New Orleans, at the close of the week ending October 1st. 1859

Coinage Account Dr.		Dollars	Cts.
Balance per last statement &			
Total moneys for the week	$\text{Ct } 46,198.26$ $\text{\$ } 345,797.21$ (13,000. 3 ^d 6. 9. C.)	391.99	547

Coinage Account Cr.		Dollars	Cts.
Deposits paid	$\text{Ct } 6,608.77$ $\text{\$ } 24,111.22$	30.71	999
Paid into U. S. Tr. to Cr. Int. & Contingent Fund.	$\text{Ct } 141.52$ $\text{\$ } 425.98$	56	750
Balance	$\text{Ct } 39,447.97$ $\text{\$ } 321,260.01$	360.70	798
		391.99	547

Bullion Account Dr.		Dollars	Cts.
Unpaid Deposits	$\text{Ct } 900.00$ $\text{\$ } 16,000.00$	160.90	000
U. S. Bullion Fund		489.26	746
Total debt on Bullion Account		650.16	746
Deduct Balance, as above		360.70	798
Difference being Bullion in process of Coinage	$\text{Ct } 33,175.90$ $\text{\$ } 256,283.58$	289.45	948

U. S. Branch Mint New Orleans,
 Treasurer's Office Oct 1st. 1859.
J. M. Chirac
 Treasurer.

Oct 1st 1839

The Magnetic Telegraph Company,

MORSE LINES,

NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST,

Connecting with the Southern, Western, Eastern and Northern Lines of Morse's Telegraph.

TO THE TELEGRAPHING PUBLIC.

The Magnetic Telegraph Company assumes no responsibility for errors or delay in transmitting messages by Lines over which they have no control, nor will they be responsible for errors committed by their own employees, unless messages are repeated back to the sender, for which 50 per cent. of their regular charges will be made. Due diligence and good faith are guaranteed.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICES—No. 302 Chesnut Street,
above Third, and Girard House.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Dated New York Oct 1st 1859

Rec'd, Philad'a, Oct 1st 11 50 a 1859, o'clock, min. **M.**

To U.S. Mint

Are your silver bars
number one thirty
five to nine but
eight ninety six half
Also they are not
fine as stamped
& are uncommercial
please telegraph answer
J S Cronise & Co
29 col ad

The Atlantic Telegraph Company

L. S. Brown & Co.

THE TELEGRAPHIC PUBLIC.
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PHILADELPHIA OFFICES—No. 302 Chestnut Street
Third, and Girard House

Oct. 1/59

BY TELEGRAPH.

1859

Rec'd, Philadelphia, 1859, 6 o'clock, M.

To Mr. W. B. Brown
The Atlantic Telegraph Company
Philadelphia, Pa.
Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
Very respectfully,
J. S. Brown

J. S. CRONISE.
HENRY HOWARD.

Banking House of J. S. CRONISE & CO.,

(UNION BANK BUILDING).

DEALERS
IN
BULLION and SPECIE.

No. 34 Wall Street.

New York, Oct 10th 1859

W. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint Phil^a Pa

Dear Sir,

We are obliged by your telegram. The Bars are not however stamped "unrefined" and we are at a loss to know why any one should have ordered such Bars. They are unsaleable even at their cost.

The Bars you made a month or two since of a fineness 999 + 999 1/2 and small and thin were very desirable, and if such can again be had of your Mint we would do what we could to create a market for them.

Will you oblige us by stating if such can again be had?

Very Respy
J. S. Cronise & Co

J. S. Cronise Jr.

N. York

Oct. 4/59

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Albion of the United States
Philadelphia Oct 3, 1889.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of yesterday
I have to state that the labor in striking the nickel
medals was much greater than we anticipated
when the estimate which you refer was made,
and had to be met by an increased charge.

Very Respectfully
James R. Thompson
Director of the Mint.

J. S. Rathbone Esq.,
Chairman Com. Commerce,
Fulton Institute.

Lowestown,
Pa

J. S. Rathbone Esq.
Com. Commerce
of

Launceston Oct 4, 1839

J. Ross Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir -

Yours of the 30th ult, appri-
zing the Committee of the Falmouth Institute, of the finished state
of the Medals ordered from you, came duly to hand, and
was laid before a meeting of the same.

Sometime during the present week a member of the Institute
will call at the U. S. Mint and receive the Medals and
pay you for them, if they are not otherwise ordered.

In the mean time we are instructed by the Institute to ask
an explanation in reference to the cost of Medals -

In a letter to Mr Reigant, one of the Committee, under date of July 18/39
you say "The cost including material for striking the fine silver
medals of the size you indicate would be about three dollars
each. The Nickel medals about one dollar each".

We have ordered fifteen silver medals - which at \$3 = each, would
make \$45 = and twenty five Nickel at \$1 = each would be
\$25 = additional, making a total of \$70 = -

We suppose that all is right, but this contingency of \$36 =
the Institute thinks ought to be explained

Yours &c Very Respectfully

25- 15-

J. F. Carter
Chm. Com. on Medals

Wm L. Ratham
Chs Com^d Medals
Tulim Post
Lincoln Pa

As to inclosed price
for medals

Oct 8, 1839.

Treasury Department
October 4, 1859.

Sir

I enclose a transfer draft
on the Treasurer of the Mint in favor
of the As. Treasurer at St. Louis for \$25.000
in Silver Coins - You will be pleased to
transfer the amount by Adams Express Co. to
St. Louis, as nearly as may be, in coins of
the following denominations: viz.

Half dollars	-	\$ 24.000
Quarter	"	10.000
Dimes	"	3.000
1/2 Dimes	"	5.000
		<u>\$ 25.000</u>

I am very Resp^t

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer Mint
Philad^a.

Howell Cobb
Sec of the Treasury

Secy of Treasry

Washington

Oct. 4/59

New-York, Oct. 3 1859.

J. R. Snowden, Esq.
Dear Sir

It is proposed in England to make a coinage of quarter sovereigns, (equivalent to about $\$1^{20}$ a $\$1^{22}$) of our currency with a view to the convenience of the people.

I am desired, in connection with this subject, to reply to the following queries,

- I.st Have we (in the U.S.) any means in operation, of eliminating from our currency the light gold coins?
- II. Are the gold dollars in circulation to any great extent?
- III Do they circulate for their (intrinsic ^{legal}) value or as tokens?

IV. Are they popular?

V. What is the total No. of gold dollars coined from the Government: and how many this year (1859)

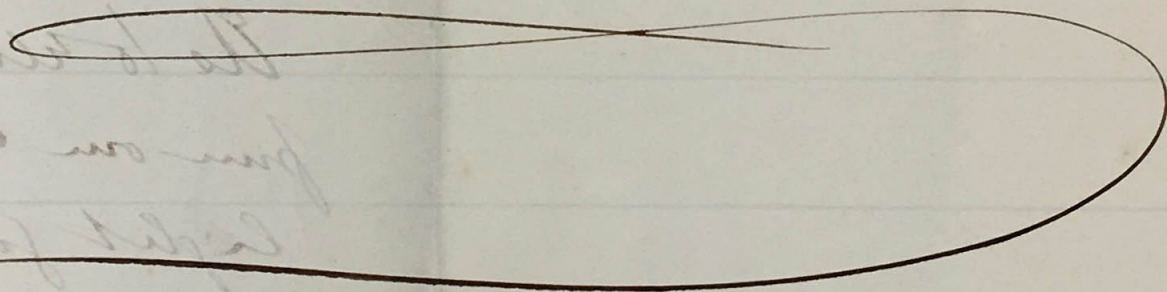
It strikes me that the gold dollar is desirable in the U.S., with a view to supplant small bills: but in England where there are no notes under £5 (25 dollars) small gold coins are of less utility. The "Crown" is in circulation there, to the value of about \$1. and thus furnishes a coin of small value.

I beg your reply during the week. We learn that in England, all light coins are rejected from deposit! Thus the loss falls upon the receiver, who can use such coins only as bullion,

or pay them out in cash.

With great respect
Yours at. Servt

D. Smith Howard



Wm F. To

J Smith Adams E

New York

As to eliminating
from our currency
light gold coins &

Oct 6. 1834.

Oct. 6. 59.

Dear Sir,

I am so much occupied that I have only time at present to give categorical answers to your questions.

1. No means have been provided for eliminating from our currency the high gold coins.

2. Gold dollars are very largely in circulation.

3. They circulate, and are legal tender, at their legal value.

4. In some cities and States they are held in others not.

5. The amount of gold dollar coins
To 30th June 1858 \$16,886,988

Fiscal year ending 30th June 1859 259,065

If I had time I would be glad to find my views on this subject more fully and hope they may be of some use to you.

I remain Sir, Very respectfully,
J. M. Mason

Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
October 3^d 1859.

Jas. Ross Snowden Esq.,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir: I enclose herewith, for your proper action, copies of thirteen replies received from as many of our diplomatic and Consular officers abroad, to the Circular of April 1st 1859, on the currency question.

I am,

respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servt.,

Wm. Hemphill Jones
Acting Comptroller

Y
Mr
Comptroller Treasury
Washington

Enclosing communications
(copies) from Ministers
+ Agents abroad as
to time, forwarding

Oct 3, 1839.

Bank of Charleston Sola
Charleston Oct 3^d - 1859

James Burrows Esq
#110 South 22^d Street
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I was much surprised at receiving a communication from you this evening conveying to me the intelligence of your discharge from your office at the N. S. Hunt, based upon an unjust charge of having received from me (while acting as conductor to myself and ladies on Saturday the 24th Utto around the Hunt) money as a compensation for your services — In justification of your character allow me to say, that when I offered you a remuneration for your services you distinctly told me that "you were not allowed by the regulations of the Institution to receive any remuneration for your services" and there the matter ended — Finding I was from Charleston you followed me on the Porch.

and upon being informed that I
was acquainted with an old friend
of yours W. Johnson you requested
me to give your kind regards to
him and inform him you were
still alive which as a brother retired
tax which I took you to be I have
attended to - Trusting that the
charge alleged against you (which
is false) may be cleared up by
this statement and you restored
to your former situation - I remain
yours very respectfully

William M. Wilson

If necessary I will forward you
a certified copy of our transactions
together on the occasion of our
meeting but trust that this will
be sufficient to restate you
Y^{rs} M Wilson

Thompson M Nelson

Chambers
L.C.

Denies that he
saw James P. ...
... YL

Oct 3. 1839

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

October 7 1859

Sir

As per receipt and invoice herewith enclosed, I have this day forwarded by The Adams Express Company one box fine gold bars, of the net value of \$15499.51 for which I will thank you to remit double eagles in payment.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm J Geo
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Oct. 7/59

ORIGINAL.

No. *27*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

One boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *15499.51*)

Fifteen Thousand. Four

Hundred & Ninety Nine $\frac{51}{100}$ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF

THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

Oct 7 1859

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John H. Hoxey

Treasury Department.

Comptroller's Office.

October 6. 1859.

Jas Ross Snowden, Esq.

Director of the U. S. Mint.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I herewith respectfully transmit copies of seven more replies received from Consular Officers of the U. S. on the currency question.

Referring to the copy of Hon. J. Randolph Clay's communication on same subject, sent to you on the 3^d inst, I now enclose the four Bolivian half dollars, which you will please cause to be assayed, returning their value to this office, that the same may be deposited to his credit, as Minister to Peru.

I am, respectfully,

Your obed^t Servt.

Wm Hemphill Jones

Act'g Comptroller

1.755
665

From J. To
Wm Humphreys James Esq
Act Comptroller Treasury
Washington

Enclosing papers on the
currency question also

from J. Bouvier Haef
donor for assay. -
papers to be returned
to his office

Oct 7, 1839. -

October 7. 39.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday enclosing several responses to your circular on the subject of the value of foreign coins; and also four half dollars of Bolivia. These pieces I have, and to be assayed in compliance with your request.

The average weight was ^{oz.} 0.439

The average fineness 665 thousandths; the average mint value at 121 cents per ounce standard, 39.2 cents. This result differs somewhat from the Table in the bearing Report. viz: average weight ^{oz.} 0.433, average fineness 670 thousandths, average value 38.5 cents.

But that class of coins being irregular in weights and fineness are not susceptible of a clear and steady valuation. The value of the four pieces \$1.57 + 1. = less than

Returned.

I am, very respectfully
Yours truly

~~Samuel R. Mendenhall.~~
Director of the Mint.

Wm. Humphill Jones Esq
Acting Comptroller, Treasury Dept,
Washington City

Philada. Oct. 5th 1859

U. S. Branch Mint,

San Francisco Cal.

To William Hill Dr.

For 4 Hhds. Crucibles

1859 Sept. 3	100	#	5000	@	4 1/2	225.-
	50	#	Covers	@	2	50.-
			4 Hhds.		1.00	4

Duplicate

Per Ship "Prima Donna"

Drayage

1.50

\$280.50

Received Payment,

William Hill

Wm Hill

Oct 5. 1839

\$280.50

Duplicate

Coal Office of E. A. Packer & Co.,

16 & 18 TRINITY BUILDINGS,

New-York, Oct 5 1859.

James Ross Jordan Esq
U.S. Minr Phila
Scri

Enclosed

Should you receipt
for 1 Bt of samples of
Minr lumps sent you by
Express. You will there
then are 5 barrels
corresponding with the
file lot of 100 lbs each.
There was no one but the truck
party to draw today.

I have to acknowledge my card
in regard to the date named
in your circular.
Christy E. Packer

J
Wm

E & Packer &
New York

Samples of sheep
from the
Assay

Oct 7, 1839.

Coal Office of E. A. Packer & Co.,

16 & 18 TRINITY BUILDINGS,

New-York, Oct 27 1859.

James R. Packer
Attn: Mr. Packer
Sir

I telegraphed
you this morning and
got your reply.
Your letter stated
the 5th but your circular
named the 15th. I will
be ready tomorrow

Yours truly
E. A. Packer

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO., 59 Broadway, New-York.

ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

Great Eastern, Western & Southern
EXPRESS FORWARDERS.

New-York,

188

Received of

Me B. A. Packen

Marked

J. M. Phil

To be forwarded to _____ only. It is further agreed, and is part of the consideration of this contract, that the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY are not to be responsible, except as Forwarders, for any LOSS or DAMAGE arising from the dangers of Railroad, Steam, or River Navigation, Leakage, Fire, or from any cause whatever, unless the same be proved to have occurred from the fraud or gross negligence of ourselves, our Agents or Servants; and we, in no event, to be liable beyond our route, as herein receipted. **Valued under Fifty Dollars, unless otherwise herein stated. All articles of GLASS will be taken at SHIPPERS' RISK ONLY, the Company refusing to be responsible for any injury by breakage or otherwise.**

Freight, _____

For the Company,

Produce

Year 1854 - No. 314 - \$1963.49
J. R. Hunter for James Snowden

James Ross Snowden Esq.

Director United States Mint
Philadelphia

In my letter of 3^d Sept 1856, I
requested that the parcel of Gold 100.28 oz.
deposited by Adams & Co to my credit
and confirmed by yours of 31st Dec.
of same year, should only be payable
to myself. and I wish to know since -
Mr. Tarleton United States Consul is having
the Colony whether the same can be ~~transmitted~~
transmitted to me or my order. An answer
to the above will oblige

Your Obedt^t Servant

James Alexander
Sandhurst (Kendigo) June 16, 1859

My address is Care of Messrs Collie & Reid
Merchants Sandhurst Victoria
Australia

Wm L

James Alexander

Victoria

Australia

Respectfully deposited

Letter from Adams

Express Co. Endorsed

Oct 5, 1839.

Minist of the United States.
Phila. Oct 5. 1857.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 16th June last.

Enclosed I send you a communica-
tion from the Adams Express Co. on the subject of
your deposit & the remittance of the proceeds
thereof. The course indicated by the Express
Co. is no doubt the most safe and convenient
one for you to pursue to obtain the proceeds
of your deposit.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Mr James Alexander,
Care of Messrs Lillie & Reid,
Sandhurst Victoria,
Australia.

of
Hm 120

Henry S. Drury
New York

Exchange Medal
for coins

Oct 10. 1859,

Dear Sir:

I am anxiously
awaiting a reply to my
note in reference to
Washington, Eight Presi-
dents' Medals I sent you
about a week since

Henry S. Drury
N.Y. Oct 8. 59,

P.S. Please return
the medals if you do
not wish to exchange

copy

United States
Philadelphia
Oct. 1. 39.

Dear Sir I have received your letter of
yesterday, and as the Medal therein referred
to. I possess but one copy of this medal,
and would be pleased to return the one now
sent, but I cannot make the exchange in
request, as I do not possess any other copies
of several of the pieces. You state you will write
to me again in a day or so, and describe some
rare Washington pieces you expect to obtain. I
will wait until I receive his promised letter
before I return the Washington piece to you.
Perhaps I may be able to find you some other
specimens of interest.

Very respectfully

Yours obt. Serv't.

Wm. Henry D. Dury
New York

(Signed) James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Dear Sir,

On the receipt of your letter of the 30th
all: I am much obliged, and am very
sincerely yours

Dear Sir,

On the 11th inst. I received your letter of the 30th

inst. I am much obliged to you, and am very glad that

it did reach you. I am in good health

and hope you are the same. I am much obliged to you

for the interesting exchange of letters between you

and me.

Very truly,
Yours,
J. B. Richardson

M. : Henry S. Richardson
1840

Oct. 1. 59.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of yesterday, and the medals therein referred to. I hope ^{but} one copy of this medal, and intend to send to retain the one you send, but I cannot make the exchange you request, as I do not possess ^{any extra copies of} the same.

You state you will write to me again in a day or so, and describe some Washington pieces you expect to obtain. I will wait until I receive this morning letter before I return the Washington piece to you. Perhaps I may be able to give you some other specimens of interest.

Very respectfully,
J. M. Smith

W. B. Smith, Esq.
New York

Samuel R. Plummer,
Director of the Mint

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Oct 10 1859

Sir

I have this day forwarded by
the Adams Express Co. One box Gold Bullion
of the net value of \$ 32,174.39 for which
I will thank you to remit double eagles.

Very Respectfully

J H Watton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm J Geo

Treasurer

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Heart, Army Off

N. York

Oct. 10/59

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No. 28

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

One box, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 32 144.39)

Thirty Two Thousand
One hundred & forty four $\frac{39}{100}$ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

Oct 10 1859

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John H. Lee

ORIGINAL.

Lancaster Oct 10 1839
Hon J Ross Snowden

Dear Sir.

You will
Please to deliver to Mr Geo Allen the bearer
of this, the Medals which you have struck
for Fulton Institute, who will pay
you for the same. Please receipt to him
and oblige Yourself

Very Truly

J. Watson
J. Franklin Pargant
Carr on Medals

From

J. S. Rathbone

Comd. M. Medals
The Artillery
Lancaster

order for delivery
of medals to
Mr. Allen.

Oct 12, 1839

No. 28.

Six Bars of Fine Gold transmitted
to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, in pursuance of the
Act of March 1855 by John J. Cisco, Treasurer
of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

1859.

October 10. One Box #1. containing

Nos. 1230 @ 1235 weighing 1577.02 gr @ 992¢

Stand. gr. 1738.226 - \$32,339.09
Deduct for Coinage 161.70

Net Value, \$32,177.39

No. 28

Grain Gold Bars

October 11th 1859

\$32,177.39

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Chief of the Bureau of the
Philad.: Oct 11. 1857.

Sir,

I have to request that your estimates of
appropriations for the next fiscal year (which
for on the 1st of Oct.?) may be presented during
the present week; also, a statement of your
operations for the quarter ending September
30th 1857.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Thompson
Chief of the Bure.

Sam. F. T. Thompson Esq.,
Supt. of the Army Office,
New York.

To
Supt U. S. Assay Office
New York

Requesting Annual Estimate
Statement

Oct 11, 1839.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES - LOAN RECEIPT

R.G. 104

Fiscal Branch

(DIVISION OR OFFICE)

No. GE(FI) 48-445

Date loaned November 10, 1947

Date due May 10, 1947

Records of the United States Mint, Philadelphia:

Correspondence File, Philadelphia;

Box 81, September and October 1859

Box 83, January and February 1860

For Mrs. Davidson, Attention: Miss Ward

The receipt on loan from the National Archives of the records listed above is hereby acknowledged. It is expressly agreed that they will be carefully protected against any injury or loss, kept in their present order or sequence, and returned promptly on or before the above-stated "Date due" unless special permission for an extension of the loan for a specified period of time has been obtained from the Chief of the above-named Division or Office of the National Archives.

Bureau of the Mint, Room 829 Washington Bldg.,
15th & New York Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.

(borrowing agency)

by

(its authorized representative)

Returned to the National Archives on _____
*National Archives Form 48 (6-45)

Receipt acknowledged by _____



Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society,

Harrisburg, Oct 11, 1859

Now James Ross Snowden
My Dear Sir

Amused please
find my Check for Sixty dollars, balance due
the Mint as per your favor of the 8th Inst, this
morning rec^d - I shall be in Phil on Monday night
and if desirable will then cash my own check -
The Treasurer Mr. Bucher resides in Cumberland
County, or I would have rec^d from him a check
on the Corn Exchange Bank for the amt of your
bill -

I have not had time to call at the Express Office
since the receipt of your letter, but shall do so
to day -

With regard yours
Thos. A. Hiestor
Secy.

Immd To

A. H. Acaster

See Rem A. S

Harnsburg
Pa

check \$60 - enclosed

Indues forwarded

Oct 14, 1859, —

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Oct 14. 1889.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
Your letter of the 11th inst with check annexed for
\$60# in payment of balance due for medals
made a few days since for your society.

The Silver Medals (12) were forwarded
to your address today per Adams Express Co.

I will hold your check until you
come to the City next week, at which time I
will be glad to see you at the Mint.

Very Respectfully Yours,
James R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

Hon A. O.uster,
Secy. Penn State A. Society,
Harrisburg,
Pa.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Octo 11th 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt,
of \$ 27,534.24 in silver dollars and gold
coins in payment of invoices N^o 24 & 26.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Sco
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Oct. 11/59

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Mint of the United States
Philad: Oct 11. 1859.

Sir
In compliance with the act of March
4th 1853, c. 97 I present herewith a statement of the
expenditures of the Mint for the quarter ending Sept.
30. 1859:

Statement of the Expenditures of the Mint during the 3rd Quarter 1859.

For salaries of officers & clerks	\$ 6,975.00
For wages of workmen & stipendials	25,763.44
For incidental & traveling expenses	4,462.51
Total	<u>\$ 37,201.95</u>

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant.

Hon Anna C. C. C.
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

of
Sec Treasury

Expenditures of the
Mint 3^d Q 1859

Oct 11, 1859

United States Assay Office,
New York, Oct. 13, 1859.

Sir,

I transmit herewith my estimates for the expenses of this Office, for the Fiscal year ending June 30, 1861.

The whole amount required to be appropriated is \$48,900, which, as compared with the estimates for the current year, is a reduction of \$20,800 or nearly 30 per cent.

The sum asked for Salaries exceeds the appropriation for the current year by \$200. This is owing to the increase of the salary of the Superintendent's Clerk by the Secretary of the Treasury under date of Jan. 4, 1859.

Very respectfully,

Yr. obt. servt.,

S. D. Butterworth
Supp

Wm. J. R. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

From
Supt U. S. Assay Office
New York

Annual Estimates
Presented

Oct 15. 1859

Hon. J. R. Snowden.

Director of the Mint Philadelphia

Gent. Our offers on the sweeps we took samples of
on the 5th of Oct. are viz:

No. 1. (10 Bbls.)	\$ 0.12 ³ / ₁₀
No. 2. " "	\$ 0.22 ¹ / ₂
No. 3. " "	\$ 0.10 ³ / ₁₀
No. 4. " "	\$ 0.13 ⁴ / ₁₀
No. 5. " "	\$ 0.13 ¹ / ₂

Newark. Oct. 12th. 1859

Respectfully Yours
Dallach & Duffenbach

12	3
22	5
10	3
13	4
13	5
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	14.4

Drum

Am L. Bigger

Register

Treasury Dept

Washington

List of officers & clerks
must furnished

Oct 14, 1859

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

REGISTER'S OFFICE,

AUGUST, 1859.

Sir:

I have respectfully to request, that, as soon as practicable after the 30th day of September next, you will transmit to this office, a list of the officers and agents employed in your office on that day, stating where each officer or agent was employed; the State or country in which he was born; the State or Territory from which appointed; and the amount of compensation allowed to each. The compensation must include the full amount received by each officer or agent, per annum, whether from salary, fees, or commissions.

This information is required for the Biennial Register, in compliance with resolutions of Congress of April 27, 1816, and July 14, 1832, and act of March 3, 1851. As the printing must be completed before the 1st of January, it is desirable that the information requested should be forwarded as early in October as it can be compiled.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

F. BIGGER,

Register.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia October 14, 1859.

Sir,

In compliance with Your Circular of
August last, I present herewith, a list of the
Officers and Clerks employed at the Mint on the
30th ult.

Very Respectfully,

Your obt. Servant,

Samuel R. Mendenhall
Director of the Mint.

Hon. J. B. Biggs,
Register,
Treasury Department,
Washington City.

List of Officers and Clerks of the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, September 20, 1857

Names and Offices	Where Born	Where Appointed	Compensation
James R. Snowden, Director	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	\$3,500
James M. Walton, Treasurer	do	do	2,000
Laet. R. Cathecart, Assayer	do	do	2,000
James B. Mather, Refiner	do	do	2,000
James B. Mather, Engineer	do	do	2,000
George K. Shide, Chief Clerk	do	do	2,000
William E. Kuhn, Assistant Assayer	do	do	1,500
John H. Taylor, Assistant Mather & Refiner	do	do	1,500
Henry R. Linderman, Director of the	do	do	1,500
John P. Boen, Assistant Mather & Refiner	do	do	per diem
Robert P. Mather, Treasurer of the	do	do	1,500
George F. Kelliker	do	do	1,500
Joseph C. Lott	do	do	1,500
William H. Stinson	do	do	1,500
John A. Lyman	do	do	2,500
Henry A. Lyman	do	do	2,500

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Oct. 14, 1857.

James R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report
2-16156

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

October 14th 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge receipt of
\$15,499 ⁵¹/₁₀₀ in gold coins in full for Invoice
No 27, and \$20,000 in Silver Dollars on
account Invoice No 25 —

Very respectfully

J. H. Deane
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Oct. 14/59

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 15 Oct. 1859

Dear Sir

I regret to report that Robert Lloyd is again absent, & has not been in the Mint since last Monday, 10th Inst. without having assigned any reason for his absence. His frequent absence, without permission or knowledge on our part, causes constant trouble in the rearrangement of the gangs of workmen, & is often a daily loss to the Mint by stopping the run of a furnace by breaking up a gang.

I would respectfully solicit such action on your part, as may in future secure his constant attendance, or his constant absence as a better alternative.

Respectfully,

J. C. Booth
M & R

J. R. Snowden, Esq
Director,
U. S. Mint

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Oct. 13, 1859.

I would much please inform
Robert Lloyd that his
absence without leave
has been reported to me,
and unless he can
give a satisfactory
excuse I will enforce
the 5th regulation, by
directing his discharge.

J. R. Anderson

L. H. R. Lidbury
Principal Clerk,

Abner J. Ross
Lloyd without
leave. - Notice
of discharge given
unless satisfactory
reasons be
rendered

Sept 17, 1859.

Phucada
October 18th 1859

Robert Lloyd

has a severe
sprain of the
shoulder such
as prevents his
attendance on any
manual occupation

J. E. Blackie
J. D. Schoales M.D.

Oct 17. 57

Mr Robt Lloyd.

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by
the Director of the Mint to inform you
that your absence without leave,
has been reported to him, and unless
you can give a satisfactory
excuse, he will feel it his duty
to enforce the 5th regulation, by
suspending your discharge.

Very Respectfully,
H. R. Lindemann

Director Mint

Post Office

Wilmington: Del:

Sept. 2, 1859

Dear Sir

Please receive of
Jaggs & Sons a bag
of old Cents amounting
to One hundred & thirty dollars
for which please send ^{by mail} me
a certificate. Will you
be kind enough as to
inform me when the cer-
tificate will be ~~redemable~~

and oblige
Very truly

Yours
J. F. Ashmun

J. H. Watton {
Asst. Treas. U.S.

Wash. D.C.

Ph

Ans. 20p. 1

Mint of the United States,

TREASURER'S OFFICE,

Philadelphia, Sep 2 1859.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge
the receipt of a bag of Cents
by Tappan's Express said to con-
tain one hundred and thirty
dollars, but by actual count
~~contain~~ only \$128.⁸⁶/₁₀₀. We found ~~them~~^{they}
~~fall~~ short by weight, when
I had them counted, ~~we~~
What shall we do with them
as we will hold them subject
to your order - The new ones
if desired can be returned within
four weeks,

Post Master

Wilmington

Sep. 2/59

Office of the Board of Trade,

Philadelphia, September 1, 1859.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, and all persons ~~ac~~g for Firms in Membership, are solicited to avail themselves of the advantages offered at the Rooms of the Board, 505 Chestnut street, for consulting American and Foreign Journals, Commercial Reviews, Public Documents, Railroad and Canal Reports, &c., &c.

The following are among those regularly received and filed:—

Foreign Papers, &c.

LONDON TIMES (DAILY.)
INDEPENDENCE BELGE (DAILY.)
MANCHESTER GUARDIAN do
WILLMER & SMITH'S EUROPEAN TIMES (WEEKLY.)
GORE'S (LIVERPOOL) GENERAL ADVERTISER (WEEKLY.)
NORTH BRITISH DAILY MAIL, Glasgow.
BLACKWOOD, AND THE FOUR QUARTERLY REVIEWS.

New York and other Cities.

NEW YORK JOURNAL OF COMMERCE (DAILY.)
NEW YORK COURIER AND ENQUIRER do
DAILY HERALD, New York.
“ TRIBUNE, “
“ TIMES, “
NEW YORK SHIPPING AND COMMERCIAL LIST (SEMI-WEEKLY.)
ECONOMIST AND DRY GOODS REPORTER.
INSURANCE MONITOR (MONTHLY.)
HUNT'S MERCHANT'S MAGAZINE.
THE AMERICAN LLOYDS, AND REGISTRY OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING
for 1859.
UNITED STATES MINING JOURNAL AND RAILROAD ADVERTISER, New York.
COMMERCIAL BULLETIN, Boston.
COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER, Buffalo (DAILY.)
DAILY PRESS AND TRIBUNE, Chicago.
STATE SENTINEL, Selma, Ala.
BALTIMORE SUN.
DAILY POST, Pittsburg.
PRICE CURRENT, Pittsburg (WEEKLY.)
CINCINNATI GAZETTE, (DAILY.)
CINCINNATI PRICE CURRENT.

Philadelphia Papers.

NORTH AMERICAN AND U. S. GAZETTE.
INQUIRER.
PRESS.
PENNSYLVANIAN.
DAILY NEWS.
LEDGER.
EVENING BULLETIN.
EVENING JOURNAL.
COMMERCIAL LIST.
RAILROAD AND MINING REGISTER.
JOURNAL OF THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE, &c.

All Railroad and other incorporated Company Reports of general interest, are received and preserved—those for former years being bound in volumes convenient for references and permanent preservation. Files of the leading papers are also preserved and accessible for consultation.

The Office and Rooms are open regularly during business hours.

LORIN BLODGET,

Secretary.

Am. J. R.

States Print, Chestnut

Imp
Board of Trade
Phie^a

Circular

Sept 6, 1839.

SEPT-1-1859.

MENTION OF

CAPT. BENHAM

TITHEODOLYTE

&

TRIPOD

No. of Bank _____

Date of Report _____

2-16156

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Sandy Hook
Sept 1st 1839

Col. J. R. Snodden

Dr. W. S. Hunt Phileas

Dear Sir

The Theodolite

which at my Father's request was
sent to Capt Beukow to use
here - came minus the tripod
and as it is difficult to replace
and we are much in want of
the instrument. I take the liberty
of requesting that you will have
another search made for it, and
in order to facilitate the identifying
it I append a rough sketch of
it as I recollect it - When no
man engaged on the affairs it stood
for some months in the corner of the
Cabinet of curiosities which we used
for an office -
I regret very much the

necessity of thus troubling
you - but it will greatly facilitate
the work here to have the instru-
ment - and I persuaded Capt-
Reuben to endeavor to get it

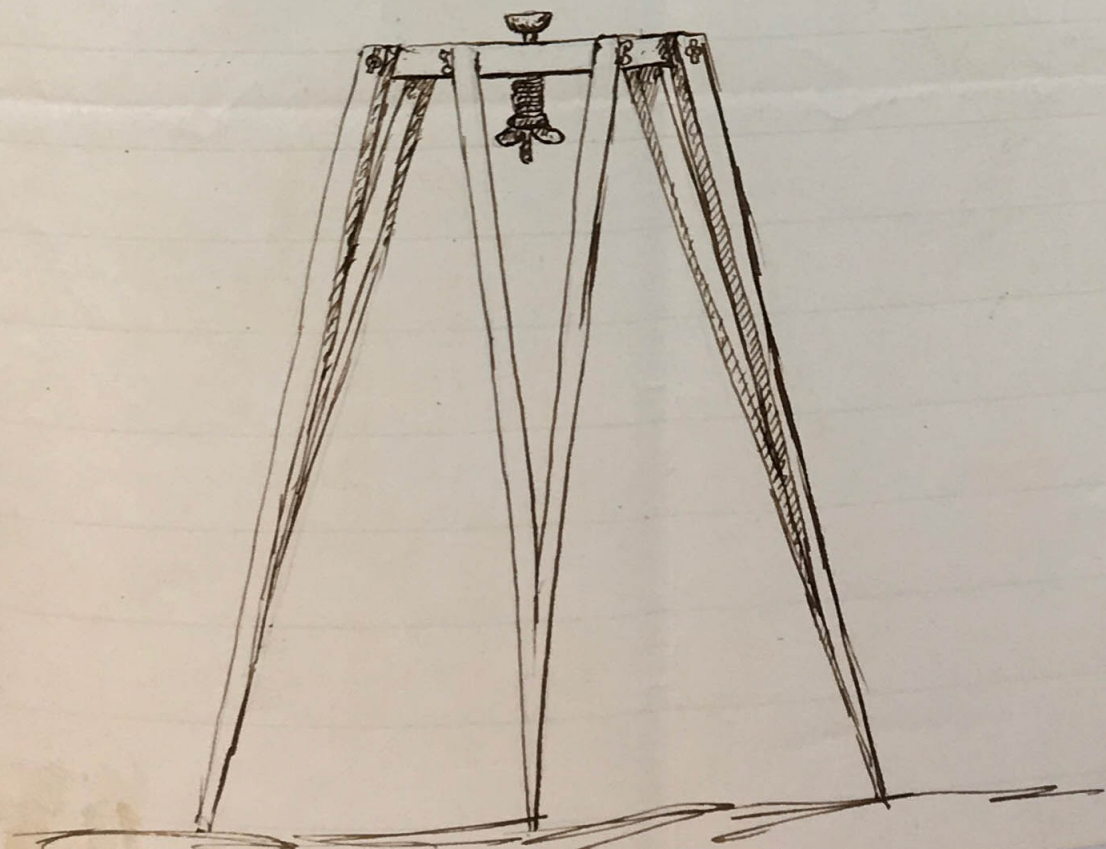
With sincerest regards for
yourself - in which my Father would
join were he with me - and kind
remembrances to my friends with
you - I am

Very truly & Respy.

Your Obedt Servt

J. M. R. Talbot

TRIPOD.



Wm L

Mr E. M. Talcott

Sandy Hook
N.Y.

Respecting Tripod
left at the museum
by his father

Sept 7. 1889.

Sept. 6. 59.

Dear Sir,

I have, as requested, in your recent letter, caused a thorough search to be made for the missing trifles but without success. Since this examination has been made it has occurred to me that it was sent to ~~Washington~~ ~~the Smithsonian Institution~~ ~~some~~ man of the Carpenter Shop) says he has some recollection of it being boxed up and sent by my order to Washington at the request of Major Beaman. I suggest that you write to Major B. on the subject.

I am happy to hear from you, and with us glad to see you when you come to Philadelphia. I retain a pleasant recollection of your sojourn among us.

Very truly and respectfully,
Wm. M. R. Talcott.
Sandy Neck N.Y. James R. McAndrew.

From To
Mr. A. B. Sage
New York

Washington
Monroe
Tobacco

very cent &
enclosed

Oct 15, 1859 -

J. R. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed

please find two of my
tokens - for which please
send me - a set of the
5¢ patterns, or a set of the
5¢ 3 cent pieces, or '36
two cent, and 5¢ cent in
copper and nickel -

Truly Yours

A. B. Sage

N.Y. Oct 10. 59 -

Oct. 15, 59.

Dear Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of
your recent favor enclosing two of your small
business cards (head of Washington on obverse,) I
have to express my regrets that I cannot
find you the piece you indicate. But
I enclose you the ^{best I have} ~~one~~ cent specimen in
copper, and a small Washington Memorial,
by Paequet, which I hope will be
accepted as honorary exchange.

Very respectfully

Jos. Ott. Lenoir,
James P. Henderson,
Director of the Mints.

Wm. A. B. Sage

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report
2-16156

My. Sep 30 - 59

J. R. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir;

By this

days Express I send you
a Washington medal which
a gentleman in this city informs
me you desire. I will exchange
it for - either -

\$1838 dollar,

1836 Two Cents

1850 Three Cents

1851 Cent -

1852 Ring Cent

1854 Eagle "

1858 ^{and} Patterns Cts

{ 1851
and
1852 dollars
and
Eaton medal
or

or { Washington and
Franklin
medal -
~~Jackson Medal~~
1859 Silver Patterns
and
1858 set of cents

I will have several rare Washing-
ton pieces in a day or so - When
I will write you again - Please
answer by return mail and oblige
Yours Truly - Henry S. Drury

From To

Henry S. Dury
New York

Washington
Medals,

Oct 3. 1889

To
C. J. Burkner Esq
no. 63 Haught
N.Y.

Washington Meade,
enclosed specimen H. Gould

Sept 29, 1859.

Sept. 29. 59.

My dear Sir,

I owe you a thousand
apologies for not writing to you sooner. As
your ^{first} letter came to the Mint during my
absence from the City in August, and, by
some means, it has been mislaid. I however
have in my possession the rubbings of the
Washington pieces you enclosed in the
letter. There are several pieces in your
general list which I do not possess. As I
differ I need not enumerate them particu-
larly as you will not part with any of them
inasmuch as you do not possess duplicates.
In the list marked by you "Duplicates,"
the following I have not in my Washington
Cabinet No. 3. The same medals. No. 14. a
laureated Washington 1792. & No. 16. Washington in
military dress facing to the right. See list &c.
1789. I would be glad to have these
three pieces, & will endeavor to make us

proper return for them.

I learn from Mr Paget, who has just returned from New-York, that you have purchased him with a list of medals you wish to procure; I take this occasion to say that as far as may be practicable I will aid Mr Paget in this matter. If we had a medal dept. organized, as I have repeatedly recommended should be done, under the authority of an act of Congress, I could cause copies of all our national and public medals to be struck and presented to our societies, or public institutions, and persons as might apply for them. In this connection I may state that the Washington and Independence dies, prepared by the American knights, ought to be used by the gov^t and purchased from the widow. It would be an appropriate function of the department I have indicated to purchase a

national die of the character
and merit of Mr. Wright's admirable
work, and I hope that the
next Congress may take some
action on this subject. The
Treasury, so far from interfering
with artists, as has been alleged, on
a former occasion against it,
will encourage them, and
improve the public taste on this
subject.

I had a few specimens of a
half dollar struck yesterday.
I send you one for your acceptance,

I am, with much respect,
your friend & ob^d servant,
Samuel R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

C. O. Bushnell Esq
No. 63 Wall St,
New York

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Elizabeth N.Y. Sept 27th 1859

Mr James Pop Snowden,

Dear Sir,

I write to learn whether you have the token in copper of George Washington on horseback. Rev. Bale & Smith. Die Sinkers &c. The one I have is called a proof. It is perfect. I have an opportunity to obtain another. They are very rare. Bushnell describes and shows a cut of one in his token book. I know of but one other besides the one I have & one in the possession of Bushnell. Would you like copies in copper

of the N.Y. State Ag. Society
Medals for the Mint? Or,
copies of the Gold Medals
Awarded to the officers of
the vessels that laid the
Atlantic cable? In case you
desire any of these, you
might want to know what
I lack. I want Silver dolls.
of 1838. 1839. 1851. & 1852. I
have most of the other pattern
pieces. An early reply is
desired, as the piece I first
named may be taken by
some one else. I know of
a die in N.Y. for a $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. Medall
showing for its obverse. the bust
of Washington, with no lettering
Rev. the Tomb of Washington.
The dies have never been struck.
Ever Most respr. yours
Bluf. Vaines

Mr S

Benj Haines

Elizabeth

New Jersey

Washington Medal

Sept 30, 1839.

Sept. 30 55.

dear Sir,

I have received your favor of the 27th inst. I have a very fine Plate and another aquatint of Washington but I would be glad to keep another copy for the old Thruway Cabinet, and I do not know what to offer you in exchange for it. The dollar you speak of I cannot present you with. If you send me the Plate of Smith I will make a suitable return to you. The medals you speak of (namely the A. J. H. of 1800 & the Anti-Cable) I do not wish; any thing however Henry Wright uses it & I am anxious of obtaining.

Yours truly
R. H. R. I have the pleasure to
E. Washburne
New York.

No. of Bank

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859/SEPTEMBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / SEPTEMBER

Presented 8th Sept. 1889. -

I. For toughening or refining.

1. On gold not ductile, and not partible under the rules, one to three and a half cents per ounce of gross weight after melting, according to the condition of the metal.
2. On silver, (whether a purchase or deposit) not ductile, and not less than 750 fine, one-third cent to one cent per ounce, as above.
3. On coppery silver, ductile, but below 750 fine, two rates of charge, as follows:
If below 600, three cents per ounce on so much of the deposit as will require to be made fine, in order to bring the whole to standard.
If from 600 to 749, two and a half cents per ounce, as above.
If 750 or above, no charge.
4. On base silver, (alloyed with copper, lead or tin,) not ductile, and below 750 fine, the same charges as in No. 3, and one cent per ounce on the remainder of the metal.
5. For refining coppery silver of any fineness, in order to return fine stamped bars, (990, or over,) three cents per ounce of gross weight after melting.

II. For separating gold from silver.

1. When the mixture is free from copper:—

PROPORTION OF GOLD.

1 to 200 thousandths, $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce gross, after melting.					
201 " 600	"	2	"	"	"
601 " 700	"	3	"	"	"
701 " 800	"	4	"	"	"
801 " 946	"	5	"	"	"

2. When there is copper, not over 50 thous., no additional charge; 50 to 150, one cent additional; more than 150, two cents additional. And if the metal be brittle, requiring a flux-refining, then a further charge of one to three and a half cents per ounce, according to its condition.

Charges on
deposits

Prescribed Sept 8. 1859.

modified on 27th
Sept. 1859. -

Deputy office
Wash. D.C. Sept. 1857.

Sir,

I have placed in the hands of the A. S. Am. Express
Co. N. York for Collection Transfer W. & F. 6005 in favor
of Deputy at Baltimore for Five thousand Dollars,
which is drawn by the Department to supply this office
with change.

I will thank you to pay the same if you
can in the following coins

Yrs

Gold & Silver Dollars	\$1.000
Quarter " "	3.000
50 c pieces	900
New cents	100
	\$5.000

Yrs very respectfully

J. S. Owens
Asst. Secy

J. S. Watson Esq

Dea. U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Depot U. S.

Baltimore

Sep. 7/59

U. S. Assay Office,
New York, Sept. 7, 1859.

Sir,

I transmit enclosed a statement of the business of this Office for the 2^d. quarter of the year 1859, - being the 4th quarter of the Fiscal year ending June 30th last.

Very respectfully,

Yours obt. servt.,

S. F. Butterworth, Supt.

per Geo. F. Dunning.

Hon. J. R. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

James F. Buttsworth

Supt W. S. Asaay Office
New York

Report for 2nd
Quarter 1859

Sept 10. 1859.

Chief Engineer's office

September. 7th 1859

To Honble

I Ross Snowden
Director.

The Gas Bills for each quarter when presented have been certified by me. I have become satisfied however that much gas is wasted unnecessarily in the cellar during the daytime, and that our Bills are therefore very heavy - I have seen during the day as many as eighteen or twenty burners lighted and many burning at full head, some of these lights were not required at all and in other places were burning at full head when less light would have answered.

I think that if it were made the duty of some one of the workmen who understood the ~~gas~~ fixtures burners &c to put out all unnecessary lights, a saving material in amount would be effected - Mr John Bonn understands the gas fixtures and unless a work-

man more suitable should occur to
your mind I would recommend him
as the person most likely best able to
perform the duty

Respectfully

Geo K Childs

Chief Bowyer

per Lincoln

Report
Chief Corner
as to amount of
gas consumed

Sept 7, 1889.

Director designates
John Conn to attend
to putting out gas
burner, on Melter
Refiner, side of
Ch. S. Johnson on
Corner, side,

Wm. Conn
Melter Refiner
Corner

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Sept. 6th 1859.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$12,219.67 in Silver dollars, in payment for invoice No 22.

Very respectfully

Wm. J. Sco
Treasurer.

J. H. Walton Esqr.
Treasurer U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Treat. away Off

New York

Sep. 6/59

EASTERN ARGUS,

[Established 1803.]

Office, No. 57 Exchange Street, Portland, Me.

DAILY—Published every morning, at \$5.00 per annum. TRI-WEEKLY—Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at \$4.00. WEEKLY—Every Tuesday morning, at \$2.00.
Aggregate Weekly Circulation, 10,800 Copies.

John M. Adams & Co., Publishers and Proprietors.

Portland, Sept 2^d 1859

Dear Sir—The enclosed cent came into our possession to-day in making change. At first sight we thought it a new issue and quite an improvement on the thicker cent as it varies more from the dime than that. But upon examination we came to the conclusion that a heavy pressure had been put upon it and it had thus been drawn out. We have shown it to several persons, who also thought it quite an improvement on the thicker coin. Hence the thought struck us that we would send the coin for your inspection

Yrs Truly

J. M. Adams & Co.

R. Jerris

To the Superintendent
U. S. Mint, Phila

From To

J. W. Adams & Co

Portland

Maine

Hammond cart
enclosed &

Sept 7. 1889.

Sept. 7. 49. 99.

Gentlemen:

I received in due time your favor of the 2nd inst. The cent you enclosed had been enlarged by being placed between pieces of leather and beaten out with a hammer. It was unexpected to this kind usage after it left the Mint; any extra pressure which you might have caused the enlargement. - caused not means that result, because the diameter of the piece cannot exceed that of the Collar of the die.

I thank you for sending the cent to me, and I will consider the point relating to my notice, ^{namely} whether the increased diameter to the coin would not be an improvement.

Yours I. M. Adams & Co. I am very respectfully
Portland Maine. Yours Geo. H. B. B. B. B.
Director of the Mint.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

To
Supt U. S. Assay Office
New York

charges to be imposed
on coppery silver and
fused alloys with
copper and silver

Sept 6. 1839-

Stamp: COMPTROLLER OF THE MINT
MASS

In consequence of the increased amount
of ^{very} coppery silver, ^{and of gold alloyed with silver and copper,} offered at the Mint and its
Branches, which it is not deemed expedient to
refuse, but for which there ~~is~~ ^{are} no adequate
charges under present regulations, ^{modification}
The Director of the Mint ^{and have deemed it expedient to prescribe} prescribed the
~~in the tariff of charges.~~
following changes, in the items to be found
on pages 7 and 8, edition 1858, of "Instructions
relative to the Transaction of Business" &c. &c.
so far as relates to the Mint at Philadelphia,
the Branch Mint at New Orleans, and the
Assay Office at New York; to take effect
on the receipt of this paper.

Strike out all ~~from~~ after "New York" on
page 7, as far as Note on page 8, and insert
the following:

I. For toughening or refining.

1. On gold not ductile, and not partible under the rules, one to $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce of gross weight after melting, according to the condition of the metal.

(whether a purchase or deposit.)

2. On silver, not ductile, and not less than 750 fine, one-third cent to one cent per ounce, as above.

3. On coppery silver, ductile, but below 750 fine, two rates of charge as follows:

If below 600, three cents per ounce, on so much of the deposit as will require to be made fine, in order to bring the whole to standard.

If from 600 to 749, $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce, as above.

4. On base silver (allied with copper, lead or tin) not ductile and below 750 fine, the same charges as in No. 3, and one cent per ounce on the remainder of the metal.

5. For refining coppery silver ^{of any fineness,} ~~of any fineness,~~ in order to return fine stamped bars, (990 or over) as follows: below 600 fine, three cents per ounce of gross weight after melting; 601 to 749, 2½ cents; 750 and upwards, two cents.

II. For separating gold from silver, when the

1. When the mixture is free from copper; copper:

Proportion of Gold

1 to 200 thous.	1½ cents per oz. gross after melting.
201 to 600 "	2 " "
601 to 700 "	3 " "
701 to 800 "	4 " "
801 to 946 "	5 " "

2. When there is copper, not over 50 Thous., no additional charge; 50 to 150, one cent additional; more than 150, two cents additional. And if the metal be brittle, requiring a flux-refining, then a further charge of one to 3½ cents per ounce, according to its condition:

~~Charges on silver refer as well to purchases as to parts.~~

[In order to amend the printed Pamphlet, in conformity with the above, printed slips will be forwarded, and will be pasted in the copies now on hand.]

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia Sept. 5. 1859

Hon. J. R. Snowden

Director &c. &c.

Sir,

Your recent regulation in regard to the standarding of silver sent here from New York, and the likelihood of getting much silvery copper from Lake Superior (a sample deposit being now under assay, whose fineness will hardly come up to 300 thousandths) renders it proper for me to ask your attention to certain suggestions which were prepared ^{in writing} in this office, some months ago. I enclose the paper, with the remark, that the lapse of time has occasioned no change in my views upon the subject.

Very respectfully

Your obt. servt.
J. V. Eckfeldt Assayer

Wm L. R Eckford Esq
Assayer N.S. Mint
Phila^a Sept 8. 1839

Report as to charges
to be imposed on
bare Silver deposits
&c

U. S. Assay Office,
New York, Sept. 5, 1859.

Sir,

If you shall deem it expedient to establish new charges for refining silver deposited for fine bars, I would respectfully urge an early decision. In view of the probability of such a change we have endeavored to discourage such deposits for some days past. But some of our depositors conceiving that the law gives them the right to demand fine bars at 1 cent per oz. gross, until a new regulation shall have been prescribed, are depositing silver for this purpose. Whether ^{these} ~~such~~ deposits can be subjected to such new charges as you may establish, or whether they must be treated according to the existing regulation, is a question upon which I should be glad to have your opinion.

Very respectfully,

Amos J. R. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

S. F. Butterworth, Asst.
per Geo. F. Downing.

From

S. F. Butterworth Esq
Supt U. S. Assay Office
N.Y.

As to change
of charges on
Silver deposits

Sept 7. 1884.

Post Office
Wilmington Del
Apr. 4 1859

Dear Sir

Your favor dated 2d
I had the pleasure to receive
via Washington "Mifflin".

Be pleased to retain the
old cent for a day or two &
I will send the 114, which
you represent as short

Very respectfully

Yours

J. F. Aspinwall

J. A. Waller &
Co.

Post Office

Wilmington

Sep. 4/59

U. S. Assay Office,
New York, Sept. 3, 1859.

Sir,

I am under the necessity of presenting to you some considerations touching the Silver business of this Office which have been suggested by your instructions of the 20th ult.

It has been our practice for some time past, as you are aware, to furnish fine silver bars to depositors of silver at a charge of 1 cent per ounce gross of bullion deposited, without any additional charge for refining even when the silver deposited was of low fineness. The facilities thus afforded have led silver manufacturers very extensively to depend upon this Office for their supply of fine silver; and more than half our silver deposits are now for fine bars & the demand is increasing.

To meet this demand, since the great falling off in our gold deposits, our Melter & Refiner has been compelled to trench largely upon

his stock of silver for parting purposes;
so that his present supply is hardly sufficient to set two houses. The finer portion of the silver deposits have to be employed in the parting of gold; so that the difficulty of which you complain of an accumulation ^{transmission to the Mint,} of silver of inferior fineness has been inevitable.

With a large gold business, yielding an abundance of fine silver, this difficulty would not have arisen; and indeed it is only in conjunction with the parting operations of a considerable gold business, I suppose, that fine silver bars can be afforded at 1 cent per oz. gross. In view of the fluctuations in the relative amounts of gold & silver deposits to which the Mint are liable, would it not be expedient to establish such charges for refining silver when required as will cover the expense of refining it separately? It seems to me that the existing difficulty can be most readily cured by the actual refining of enough silver to meet our own wants, & enable us to send to the Mint a sufficient quantity to bring the remainder to standard as suggested by yourself.

In connection with this subject, I would suggest a change in the mode of paying for the silver parted from gold. It is now paid for in silver coins at \$1.21 per oz. standard. By your letter of Aug. 4, a charge of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., the same as the coinage charge, is established in cases where silver is melted & cast into bars without refining &c. Now the silver parted from gold, being fine silver belonging to the depositor, might justly be placed in the same category, and ~~when desired~~ might be paid for in fine bars or dollars at the same charge of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. This mode of payment would be acceptable to our depositors, & its effect would be, to some extent, to ^{prevent} ~~direct~~ the shipment of California bars direct to Europe. If this change should meet your approval, however, I would suggest that to avoid complexity in our calculation sheets, it be not made till the 1st October next.

Very respectfully,
Yours obt. servt.,

Hon. J. R. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

S. F. Butterworth, Supt.
per Geo. F. Dunning.

Trans

Supt U. S. Assay office

New York

Modification of charges
on deposits of copper,
silver and gold
allayed with copper
and silver. -

As to proposition
to change mode of
paying for silver
bullet from gold
Reports called for

Sept. 6. 1889 -

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept 6. 1857.

Sir,
In consequence of the increased amount of very
coppy silver and of gold alloyed with silver and copper,
offered at the Mint and its Branches, which it is not deemed
expedient to refuse, but for which there are no adequate
charges under present regulations, I have deemed it
expedient to prescribe the following changes, in the items
to be found on pages 7 and 8, edition 1855, of 'Instructions
relative to the transaction of business' as far as relates
to the Mint at Philadelphia, the Branch Mint at
New Orleans, and the assay office New York; to
take effect on receipt hereof.

Strike out all after "New York" on page 7, as
far as "note" on page 8, and insert the following:

I For weighing & refining.

1. On gold not double, and not put into under
the rules, one to $3\frac{1}{2}$ out per ounce of gross weight
after melting, according to the condition of the
metal.

3. On silver of the a fine silver or a gold & silver
not less than 750 fine, the same as above
but for once, as above.

4. On copper, silver, ductile, but below 750 fine,
the rate of charges as for silver.
If below 600, then one cent per ounce, or as much
of the deposit as will require to be made fine,
in order to bring the whole to standard.

If from 600 to 749, 2 1/2 cents per ounce as above.

5. On brass (alloyed with copper, lead or tin)
not ductile and below 750 fine, the same charges
as in No 3, and one cent per ounce on the remain-
der of the metal.

6. For refining copper, silver of any fineness, in
order to return fine stamps & bars, (999 or over)
then one cent per ounce of gross weight after
melting.

II For separating gold from silver.

1. When the deposit is for fine silver.

Refining of gold

16250 fine 1 1/2 cents per oz gross after melting.

201 460 . 2

601 670 . 3

701 800 . 4

801 915 . 5

a thin thin wrapper, not over 100,000, 100,000
more than 150 two cents additional
in some changes, 50 to 100, one or two
and if the metal be better, required, is first
refining, then a further change of one to two
cents per man, according to the condition

In order to amend the printer. Properly in
conformity with the above, printed slips will be
forwarded, and will be passed in the copies now
on hand.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel Rose Chandler.
Director of the Mint.

Sam J. Putnam Esq,
Supt. U. S. Army Office,
New York.

Sept. 6. 59.

Set,

I acknowledge your letter of the 3rd inst & have to state that we have anticipated your views in reference to the propriety of modifying our charges for copying letters. The modification I have made in the charges is the subject of a separate communication to-day.

The suggestion you make in reference to the mode of paying for letters sent from office I will further consider. In the mean time I may observe that I cannot think that the charge proposed would have any material effect in preventing the shipment of California letters to Europe.

I have particularly to request that you will forward without delay a report of your operations for the

Quarter ending in June last, and
your report for the fiscal year
ending June 30, 1859. The want
of your reports prevents me from
making, or even commencing, to
make, my annual reports to the
Secretary of the Treasury.

I am, very respectfully,
your ob^d servant,
James Buchanan
Secretary of the Treasury

Saml J. Butterworth Esq
Capt. Army Office
New York.

U. S. Assay Office
New York, Sept. 8, 1859.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 6th inst., containing a new tariff of charges, I beg leave to submit for your consideration the enclosed letter from Dr. Hovey. The two classes of deposits to which he alludes constitute a large proportion of the silver & gold bullion now received at this Office.

In making the suggestion, in my letter of the 3^d inst., that the silver contained in gold deposits be paid for in fine bars or silver dollars, instead of silver coins as at present, I expressed the opinion that this change would to some extent prevent the shipment of California bars direct to Europe. Mess. Berard & Co. have this morning inquired whether, if they deposit a million of gold, the silver contained cannot be paid to them in fine bars.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.,

Saml. F. Butterworth

Hon. J. R. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

Sept

From To

Sept 16. S. Assay Office

New York

In reference to stamp
charges on silver & c
Printed slips enclosed

Sept 10. 1839.

W. S. Apay Office
New York 8th Sept 1859

Dear Sir

Being at a loss to determine the proper charges for two classes of deposits, under the tariff of charges received yesterday, I have deemed it proper to refer them to you and request special instructions—

First— that of silver deposits, ductile in character, 750 thousandths fine and over, when the depositor takes his return otherwise than in fine bars

Secondly— that of deposits having sufficient gold and silver to be separated for the benefit of the depositor, in which the copper (or base metal) exceeds 150 thousandths—

Many of both kinds are received here

Respectfully

John Torrey

Apayer

S. F. Butterworth Esq
Superintendent

Mont of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept 10. 1859.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 8th inst. with the note from Dr Torrey, enclosed therein.

There is no charge upon ductile silver of 750 fine and over, when the depositor is paid in coin: and for these reasons. Such silver is generally foreign coin, and to levy a charge upon it now, would unsettle and falsify our reports to Congress upon their value.

For example, the Swedish rix dollar, which stands rated (121 cent rule) at 110.1 cents, would yield only 108.5 cents. Again, the foreign coins offered are generally so little below our standard, that we can rely upon our own stock, or upon deposits of fine silver, to bring them up.

It should have been stated, in the tariff of charges sent you on the 6th inst, that where the copper (in a parting deposit) exceeds 150 thousandths, the charge would be "two cents additional."

Altho' You have very competent calculators, it may be satisfactory to have our rule for working out the number of ounces to be refined, in a silver deposit, to bring the whole standard, which is as follows:

State a fraction, whose numerator shall be the difference between the fineness and 900, and whose denominator shall be the difference between the fineness and 1000; multiply this by the weight of the deposit, to obtain the number of ounces to be charged upon. - Suppose a deposit of 100 ounces at 650 fine; then

$$\frac{250}{350} \times 110 = 78.6, \text{ say } 79 \text{ ounces to be charged.}$$

The printed slips referred to in my letter of the 6th inst are herewith enclosed.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Dunning
Director of the Mint.

Saml F. Putnam Esq.,
Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

N.B. (By W.C.D.) after "1000" as above, insert - "multiplied by .9"; the example to read thus:

$$\frac{250}{350 \times .9} = \frac{250}{315} \times 110 = 87.3. \text{ say } 87 \text{ oz. to be charged.}$$

Mr. Dunning was requested to make it right, in the letter.

Banking Office of Wm. I. Welles,
(ESTABLISHED JUNE, 1852.)

Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept 9th 1854

Mr. Sept. Wells,

Dear Sir

I enclose herewith for collection

and my credit, my #342 on det BK \$50
for which please send me amt in
pennies

Wm. I. Welles

Per
exam

From Lops of Volles &
~~Manaster~~
Lana Rapier's
Mick

Drafts enclosed
Cent coins returned

Sept 16 1839

Mint of the United States.
Phila. Sept 16. 1859.

Sir,

I send to you address today, per Adams
Express, Fifty Dollars in cert coins for draft for
that amount enclosed in your letter of the 9th inst.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel C. Snowden
Director of the Mint.

W. J. Mills Esq.,
Grand Rapids,
Michigan,

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Pittsburgh September 9th 1859

Doctor H. R. Linderman

Philadelphia Pa

Dear Sir. Your favor of 8th inst. addressed to J. McAuley - is received. In reply we would say, that after the return of Mr McA to Pittsburgh, we talked over at length, the present Condition of the Winfield Furnace property - our claims against the same &c &c and finding that Mr Campbell - as Trustee Creditor - will not (cannot legally as a Trustee) join us in bidding in the Real Estate & personal property - we have concluded not to be purchasers. We very much dislike to see the property sacrificed and our claims lost - but we have too much business now demanding our attention - and cannot think of involving ourselves in the operations of a blast furnace. To purchase the property and not run the furnace and work up the stock on hand - we think would be a very foolish procedure, and to run the Furnace, we will not. All this is in strict Confidence. We write to you freely - without reserve - and we doubt not but you will act honestly and fairly towards us.

Yours truly

Wm Bagaley

Monday morning Sep 12/59. This was written on Friday last but I could not find Mr Bagaley or get his signature until this morning. J. McA

Lancaster Sept 9th 1859
Hon. J. Ross Snowden

Dear Sir

Messrs. A & G. McClement are making
for the "Lancaster County Agricultural & Mechanical
Society" a die for stamping medals and
have named you as the person most compe-
tent to judge of the perfection & quality of
the work when finished. Will you oblige us, &
the Society we represent, by examining & testing
the die when presented for that purpose by the
Messrs. McClement, & then favor us with your
judgment of its finish, quality &c.

If convenient an early reply will oblige

Yours truly
H. L. C. P. Falmes

From Dr

Miss H. L. J. Fahren
Lancaster

Medallic
History of medals
for Lan. C. A. S.
Mick Soc

Sept 14, 1839,

Mint of the United States,
Philad^a. Sept. 8, 1859.

Sir,

In consequence of the increased amount of very coppery silver, and of gold alloyed with silver and copper, offered at the Mint and its Branches, which it is not deemed expedient to refuse, but for which there are no adequate charges under present regulations, I have deemed it expedient to present the following changes, in the items to be found on pages 7 and 8, edition 1858, of Instructions relative to the transaction of business &c &c so far as relates to the Mint at Philadelphia, the Branch Mint at New Orleans, and the Assay Office New York; to take effect at this institution on and after to ~~morning~~ day.

Strike out all after "New York" on page 7, as far as note on page 8, and insert the following:

1. For toughening or refining

1. On gold not ductile, and not partible under the rules, one to $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce of gross weight after melting, according to the condition

of the metal.

2. On silver (whether a purchase or deposit) not ductile, and not less than 750 fine, one-third cent to one cent per ounce, as above.

3. On coppery silver, ductile, but below 750 fine, two rates of charges as follows:

If below 600, three cents per ounce, on so much of the deposit as require to be made fine, in order to bring the whole to standard.

If from 600 to 749, $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce as above.

4. On base silver (alloyed with copper, lead or tin) not ductile and below 750 fine, the same charges as in No. 3, and one cent per ounce on the remainder of the metal.

5. For refining coppery silver of any fineness, in order to return fine stamped bars, (990 or over,) three cents per ounce of gross weight after melting.

II For separating gold from silver.

1. When the mixture is free from copper.

Proportion of gold

1 to 200 thous. $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per oz gross after melting

201 to 600 " 2 " " " " " "

601 to 700 " 3 " " " " " "

701 to 800 " 4 " " " " " "

801 to 946 " 5 " " " " " "

2. When there is copper, not over 50 thous. no additional

charge; 50 to 150, one cent additional, and if the metal be brittle, requiring a flux-refining, then a further charge of one to $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce, according to its condition.

In order to amend the printed Pamphlet, in conformity with the above, printed slips will be furnished to-day, and pasted in the copies now on hand.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

J. H. Walton Esq.,
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Director of Mint

Sept. 8/59

1130 Chestnut St

Dear Sir

I am not aware that any printed Copies, or other to Lord Overstones questions respecting the decimal system have reached this Country - I will ask my friends in New York to make enquiry there. & if not successful I will write to my Brother in London to procure one for you.

Yours very truly

John A Brown

Feb 9/85 -

J R Snowden Esq
res Mint.

From

John H. Brown

Feb. 9/58

27 William St
New York Sept 9 57

Dr Sir

Some weeks ago while on
my way north I sent to you by
mail from Hartford a duplicate
of the Lead medal of Washington &c
for the McVernon collection. I write
only to ask if it was received, as
it was a bulky package, & if not re-
ceived I will send you another.

Respy In

W. L. Trine

J. H. Bowden Esq

Le. Co.

From

W. C. Paine

Bash^m the dal

Sept 9 59

J.
J. W. Lamson

Cooper Inst
New York

Acceptance of Bid
for Maps.

Sept 9. 1859.

Dear Sir,

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 105 \\ 33 \\ 250 \\ 100 \\ \hline 41.50 \\ \hline 83.00 \\ 404 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 108 \\ 50 \\ 25 \\ 10 \\ 53 \\ \hline 202 \\ 202 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 275.52 \\ 135.50 \\ 75.50 \\ \hline \$495.52 \\ 50.11 \\ \hline \$545.52 \end{array}$$

H.R.L.

Sept 9. 57.

Dear Sir,

The offer contained in Your letter of the 1st inst. for fifty seven Bbls snags of the Ranch Mtn San Francisco, on Storage in Your City, is accepted.

As You state Your intention of notifying Phil^r on being informed of the disposition made of Your offer for the snags in question, I presume we shall have the pleasure of seeing You at the Mint in the course of a day or two, at which time the details as to payment for, and delivery, of the snags

will be arranged. — It might facilitate matters however, if You were to call on Mr Parker and have the snags weighed. If this is done, please request Mr Parker to furnish me with a statement of the result of the weighing.

Very Respectfully,

Samuel R. Fox Snowdon
Director of the Mint

S. J. W. Fannum

No. 27 Cooper St.
New York 2.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156



Philadelphia
Sept 9 / 59

Sir

Please accept the enclosed
medals, and at your convenience
acknowledge receipt and oblige

Your Obt Servant
William Idler

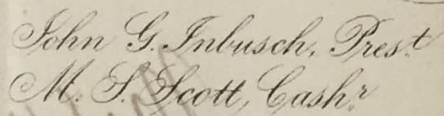

To

Hon J R Snowden
Director of U S Mint

Mr. Idler

Medal

Sep 9/59



Milwaukee 12 Sept 1859

U.S. New & Philadelphia

I Enclose My check on Phoenix
Bank of \$2000. for which send an ^{per} Express
as follows:

Sept 20, 1837 -

Respectfully
M. S. S. S.
H. E.

Draw proceeds on Monday 19th inst.

Hm

Slab 1 BK Wisconsin

Milwaukee

Wis

Draft \$ 2000-enclosed

Sept 16. 1839

Silver Com forwarded
Sept 20. 1839

Mint of the United States
Philad^a Sept 20. 1859.

Sir,

I send You to-day, per Express, Two Thousand dollars, in the denomination of silver coins specified in Your letter of the 12th inst enclosing draft for that amount.

Very Respectfully,
James A. B. Sherman
Director of the Mint.

M. S. Scott Esq.,
Cash^r. State Bk Wisconsin,
Milwaukee,
Wisconsin.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

No. 23.

Five Bars of Fine Gold transmitted
to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, in pursuance of the
Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco, Treasurer of
the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

(1859.)
Sept. 13. One Box N. 1. containing

Ns 1115 @ 1119. ^{ounces, dec} weighg. 1312.19 @ 992 f

Stand. op. 1446.325 = \$ 26,908.37
Deduct for Coinage 134.54

Net Value, \$ 26,773.83

N 23, Gold

net of 26,773,83

Recd. 5 p 14, 1859

New York, 12th. Sept. 1859.

No. 27 Cooper's Institute.

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint, Philad^a.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is a
Draft for One Thousand dollars, on ac-
count of the Twelve Barrels of Sweep, be-
longing to me, but not yet delivered by
the Mint.

There is, also, in the hands of the Treasurer
of the Mint, to my credit, a balance of
One Hundred & Three ⁷⁵/₁₀₀ dollars. (\$103.75)

The Coopering and Weighing of these Twelve
Bbls. can be deferred, till my arrival, which
will certainly be during the present week.
I have the honor to acknowledge the re-
ceipt of your favor of the 9th. ulto. accept-
ing my offer of 75% on the Mint value
of the 57 Bbls. Sweep of San Francisco B.M.
on storage in this city.

I immediately, called on Mr. Parker, and
arranged for the Coopering of the same
which will consume one day.

Tomorrow, in company with Mr. Parker & myself, the Weigher will take the gross weight of the several lots.

A statement of which will be transmitted to you by Mr. Parker.

The most business way of taking the nett wt. would doubtless be, to empty the Barrels, and take the Gase.

But as the operation would be expensive, wasteful, and troublesome, I would respectfully suggest, that we take the California Gase, provisionally, subject to correction upon my furnishing you with an official statement of the Gase when it is taken in England.

Upon this subject however, I shall defer to your superior judgement.

You will please send me a Bill of prices, for the several lots, and it shall be immediately paid.

Had you have indicated the prices I have paid for the several lots, I should have immediately left for Philad.

But as my offer was an *ad valorem* bid,
I am unable ^{even} to approximate the am^t I am
to pay.

You will please indicate, in replying your
account, what disposition I shall make of
the money.

You will of course authorize Mr. Picher,
to deliver me the Sweep, upon the pay-
ment of the money.

I remain Respectfully,
Yours Wm. L. Galt.
Jas. W. Garrison.

From To

Dr Jos W Farnum

New York

Enclosing Draft
for \$1000 a/c Hunt
Snaps.

Instruction as to
Call Snaps Remitting
amt to

Sept 13, 1839.

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a Sept 13. 1859.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th inst enclosing draft for one thousand Dollars, on account of twelve \$100s swap, purchased by you from the Mint. which amount has been passed to your credit.

The assay of the samples drawn from the
57 Bbs lead? snep resulted as follows:

No 1. Value per lb avoirdupois of Sugar - Good \$0.364

• • • • • " • • - Silver 0.017

~~1~~ 0. 381

No. 2 " " " " " " Jona \$ 0.260

" " " " " " " Silver 0.031

80.291

No. 3

" " " " " " " Silver D. 25-4

~~4~~ 0. 323

nº 4 " " " " " " Socav p o. 240

" " " " " " " " Silver 0.025-

~~18~~ 10. 265-

N ^o 5-	Value per lb avoirdupois of snup.	Sold	\$ 0.221
"	"	"	Silver 0.018
			<u>\$ 0.239</u>
N ^o 6	"	Sold	\$ 0.255
"	"	"	Silver 0.016
			<u>\$ 0.272</u>

Your suggestion to take the California Fare provisionally, subject to correction on a statement being furnished of the Fare when taken in England, meets with my approval.

You may remit the money for the snups in question, by Draft to my order on Philadelphia. on the receipt of which, Mr Packer, will be instructed to deliver them to you.

I am very Respectfully,
 James R. Chandler
 Director of the Mint

Dr J. M. Farnum,
 N^o 27 Cooper Institute,
 New York.

U.S. Assay Office,
New York, Sept. 13, 1889.

Sir,

I regret the necessity of again troubling you respecting the charges on deposits. A case has arisen however which does not seem to be covered by the rules, & in regard to which I do not feel authorized to decide.

A large lot of fine bars from the New Orleans Br. Mint ~~are~~ deposited with us. They are stamped 992 & 996 $\frac{1}{2}$, and are re-deposited here because of their inconvenient size, & as the owners allege, because they do not come up to the New Orleans fineness, & are therefore discounted in this market. A small parcel of them deposited at this Office did fall short about $\frac{1}{4}$ % I think. This case presents two aspects to which I desire to call your attention.

1. The present deposit is made under the rule presented in your letter of Aug. 4, which imposes a charge of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for converting a silver deposit into bars with the stamp of this Office, but without refining. This implies that the

identical bullion deposited is to be returned, only in an altered shape. (In the present instance our Melt & Refiner decides that it would be for the interest of the government to employ this A. O. silver for parting purposes, & to pay the depositor in our own fine bars, which are of higher fineness.) This the depositor would greatly prefer. You are aware that under the rules recently prescribed the only charge established in case of silver deposited for fine bars is "3 cts. per oz. gross." The question is: Can a deposit, like the present, be paid for in fine bars, ^{at the 1/2 per cent. charge,} where the Melt & Refiner decides that to do so would be cheaper for the government than to melt the identical deposit? If you decide that it can, I would suggest that you fix as a limit in such cases either a definite fineness at and above which silver may be so received, or that each case be left to the discretion of the Melt & Refiner.

2. The second aspect presented by this case is the injustice of the existing state of things, whereby ^{the assays of} one of the U. S. Mints must be discredited at another. It seems to me that there

should be some regulation respecting the re-depositing of Mint or P.R. Mint bars, by which, without injustice to the Mint receiving the deposit, the full "face value" of the bars should be paid to the depositor, subject of course to the customary charges.

The above is respectfully submitted for your consideration, & I shall be glad to receive from you all necessary instructions.

Very respectfully,
Yours obt. Servt.,

Saml. J. Butternuth
Supy

Hon. J. R. Seward,
Director of the Mint.

From To
Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York

Respecting deposits of bars
made at the minting estab-
lishment of the U. S. and
the payment therefor
in fine bars &c

Sept 17. 1839.

House of the United States.
Philadelphia Sept. 27. 1807.

Sir,

The subject presented in your letter of the 10th inst.
to which I have given a careful consideration - was which
sum to require a specific regulation, although it is not un-
likely that such cases will often happen.

I am of opinion that the government should pay
a sum of just or fair value for the capture of an armed
vessel, and that such sum should be paid to the owner of the vessel
and not to the crew. It is the owner who has paid the
cost of the vessel and the crew are his property. The charges which
are made for the capture of a vessel are made for the benefit of the
owner of the vessel.

The following regulations will be observed in
the case of the capture of a vessel which is a warship.

1. The vessel and its cargo, which have been captured, are
to be sold and the proceeds of the sale are to be divided
between the government and the owner of the vessel.
The government is to receive one half of the proceeds and
the owner is to receive the other half. The owner is to
be allowed a sum of money for the cost of the vessel and
the crew. The sum of money is to be paid to the owner
of the vessel and the crew. The sum of money is to be paid
to the owner of the vessel and the crew. The sum of money
is to be paid to the owner of the vessel and the crew.

at the different settlements and payments
made according to such findings

is If any such land should be reported as being taken the
findings should be reported in form of the value of work
done on the same, and in case of more than one
the same, it is expected that the report will be made to
the Director of the Mint, to whom he or more copies
of the same will be transmitted, and will serve as
evidence of the same. If a greater variation the
same shall show appear he may require the
report to be made, and by the Mint, and the
Mint, Office, where the land was located, and
will be made further action on the report as the
case may require.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Chase
Director of the Mint

Wm. H. Burrows Esq.
Sept. 16. 1864
New York

Lancaster September 13. 1859
Hon. James R. Snowden
Dear Sir

At a meeting of
the Managers of The Fulton Institute
last evening the Committee on Medals
were directed to procure fifteen Silver
Medals and twenty five ^{nickel} ~~nickel~~
Medals, at the earliest time possible,
so that we can exhibit the Medals
before the grand Exhibition - You
will therefore have the number
cast accordingly - Please inform
us how soon we may expect them,
what day they will be finished -
Send by Adams Express, and draw
on us for the cost of the Medals
Have you examined the Die, and do you
pronounce it a good one? as we may
of course have a larger number of Medals
ordered hereafter -

Yours Most Respectfully

A. Rathbone

Chas. M. Howell.

^{my} Franklin Peigart
Committee of Medals

Transd
J Franklin Rogers
+ others of Lowell
Lancaster

Order for Traction
Medals

Sept 13, 1889.

Sept 14. 59.

Gentlemen:-

I have examined the medals
described to me in your letter of yesterday,
and, in view of the prices you pay ^{for them},
I consider them well executed. Whether
they are sufficiently hardened will appear
when we come to strike the pattern and
strike medals for you.

It is about two weeks, if the dies there
prove satisfactory - of which I have very
good hopes - and will be able to
prepare and send you the dies and
strike medals mentioned in your
letter.

I am very respectfully
Yours &c! Servant,

James Ross Snowden,

Super. Registrar, House, Director of the Mint.

and Resident, Committee on
Mint & Coinage
Lancaster Pa.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

September 13. 1859

Sir

As per receipt and invoice enclosed
I have this day Transmitted by the Adams
Express Company, One box of fine gold bars
of the net value of \$ 26,743.83 for which
please remit double eagles

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U S Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Geo
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

New York

Sep. 13/59

ORIGINAL.

No. *23*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

One boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (*\$ 26,773.83*)

Twenty Six Thousand, Seven
Hundred & Seventy Three ^{*83*}/₁₀₀ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Sept 13* 185*9*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

Wm L

E. A. Parker }
New York

Present Statement

Weight of Sugar
5-7/13 lb

order for their
delivery to
D. W. Farmer
the purchaser
—

Sept 14. 1839.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Sept 15, 1857.

Dear Sir,

I received this morning your letter of the 10th inst with the enclosed statement of the weight of 57 1/2 lbs bar? Mint snaps, purchased by Dr. W. L. Kamm, to whom you will please deliver the same.

You will please present a statement of the expenses paid by you on account of these snaps, including the freight, cartage &c on the lot lately received, with receipts &c for the same.

Very Respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.

Samuel R. Anderson
Director of the Mint.

E. A. Packer Esq,
No. 16 & 18 Trinity Building,
New York.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a Sept 13. 1857.

Sir,

I have to request that you will issue your warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Forty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Five Dollars, (\$46,925.) payable out of the appropriation for the support of the institution for the present fiscal year, viz:

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks	\$6,975.00
For Wages of Workmen & Adjusters	18,700.00
For incidental & contingent expenses	18,750.00
For Freight on Bullion	2,500.00
	\$46,925.00

I have the honor to be
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

59.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your recent letter
I have to state that one of the firm of
Messrs. A. D. J. McClement called on me a day
or two ago, and stated that they had an
intention to prepare medical diets for the
"Hancock County Abol. & Free Society".
When they are completed and presented
to me for examination I will commu-
nicate with you further on the subject.

I am very truly
Yours &c. &c. &c.

Farmer Rochester,
N.Y., H. L. & P. J. Zehn Directors of the Fund,
Lancaster,
Penn.

272 -
 239 -
 265 -
 323 -
 291 -
 381 -
 1778
 295

September 1883

Sept 13. 1883

440 153

not returned

Handwritten text, possibly a signature or date.

Handwritten text, possibly a signature or date.

To
The Sec Treasury
Washington City

Requisition for
\$46,925-

Sept 13, 1839,

September 1869

New York, 14th. Sept. 1859.

No. 27 Cooper Institute.

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint, Philad."

Dear Sir,

I have

the honor to acknowledge the receipt of
your favor of yesterday.

I immediately called on Mr. Parker, to
learn the California fare, but as he
was not within, I have concluded
to send you a draft for Fifty four
Hundred Dollars, which am. will certainly
exceed the amt. calculated on the basis
of the California fare.

Should it be convenient for you to send
Mr. Parker an order for the delivery of
the Sweep to me, by return of Post,
he will receive it on Friday morning.

I shall be able to ship ^{the Sweep,} the same day,
and leave for Philad. on Saturday
morning.

I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Obedt. Servt.
J. W. Garrison.

Wm L

D W Jamieson

New York

Drapp 5400 ac.

& ac 12.

delivery of sheep

Sept 15, 1839.

Mint of the United States.
Phil^a: Sept 15. 1859.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of yesterday enclosing
draft for \$5400, on account of bal^d Branch Mint
supp^y, has been ~~received~~

I will write to Mr. Jackson, this
afternoon's mail, ^{advising him} to deliver to you the 57 Bks of
supp.

I find that I have a statement
of the bal^d: Due in my possession, and by the time
you come on, I will have a statement of the
net weight and value prepared.

Very Respectfully,

Samuel A. P. Thompson
Director of the Mint

Dr Jos M. Farnham,
No 27 Corp^s Dist.
New York.

Butler Sept. 15. 1839
Henry C. Vesty Esq
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

The Monfield Furnace Real Estate
was this day sold to Mr Lane
for \$7000. Personally all re-
maining unsold for about \$370.
If you have any proposals to
make through or behalf of Phil^a
parties he desires an immediate
correspondence as he says he has
a number of offers. The general im-
pression here is that Traff wants
it. I will write more fully in
a day or two.

Yours &c
Levenshew

Office of the Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

New-York, Sept 15th 1859.

Sir

I have this day forwarded for collection, by the Adams Express Co, Transfer draft No 6007, on you in my favor, for Fifty thousand dollars, payable in Silver coins. I will thank you to transmit in payment, the following denominations.

3 cent pieces	\$6,000
1/2 dimes	5,000.
dimes	9,000
1/4 dollars	20,000
1/2 do	10,000
	<u>\$50,000</u>

If you have not the full amount of three cent pieces, do not substitute any other, but send them at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully
Your O^t Servant,

John J. Cicer

As^t Treasurer.

J H Walton Esq
Chas^r of the Mint.

Asst. Treasr

N. York

Sep. 15/59

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
Sept 13th 1859

James H. Watton Esqr
Treas U States Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Your Bullion
account for the 2^d quarter 1859 has
been received

Very Respectfully
~~Edmund~~
Auditor

Fris Auditor

Washington

Sep. 15/59

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

September 15 1859

Sir

I transmit enclosed receipt & invoice of ten boxes Silver Bullion, of the net value of \$22,916.96 containing gold of the net value of \$88.46 for which I will thank you to remit Silver dollars & Gold Coins respectively.

The above are deposits under the old regulation, and may fall somewhat below standard; there will be one more amount forwarded embracing deposits to the period at which the new charge commenced, with which will be sent a sufficient amount of fine silver to raise both to standard.

Very Respectfully

J. H. G. Geo
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Deas. U. S. Mint

Treat. Array Off

New York

Sep. 15/59

ORIGINAL.

No. *24*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

ten boxes, containing

Silver Bullion, of the net value of (\$22105.02)

Twenty Two thousand, one
hundred & five $\frac{02}{100}$ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Apr 15* 185*9*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hovey

Oct 16/59

Mr. J. M. Pop. Snowden

Dear Sir

I enclose
You will find a certified check for
Three Hundred and twenty five Dollars
for the ~~purchase~~ of the Dakota Prairie
Group. which you will be kind enough
to ship to us. and oblige

Yours Respectfully
J. Longman & Sons
Longman & Sons

P.S. Please ship them by the Swiftsure
Transportation Line. (per Propeller)

Yours
R. A. Longman

To
R. Longman & Son
Brooklyn
N.Y.

Check No. 4
13th Street, Brooklyn
Per Lady Enders
for 4 Bbls. Soup

Sept 20, 1839.

Mint of the United States.
Phila? Apr 21. 1869.

Gentlemen,

Enclosed please find Bill
of Lading for four Bbls soap, the Mint had been
shipped to you yesterday, according to the direction
contained in your letter of the 16th inst. and an
anticip'd check in payment therefor.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel P. Anderson
Director of the Mint

Richardson & Son
100 N. 2d St.
New York.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Treasury Department.

Comptroller's Office.

September 17. 1859

Jas. Ross Snowden, Esq.

Director of the Mint.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I herewith respectfully enclose, for your proper action, five copies of letters received from as many of our Consular Officers upon the Currency question.

I am, respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

W. M. A. D.

Comptroller

Am Dr

Comptroller Treasury

Including copies
communications from
Answers to qts about
as to currency & exchange

Sept 21, 1859.

Correspondence
U. S. Mint & Branches

September,
1859.

12, 05:

which can be
conveniently examined
SPECIE, BULLION AND EXCHANGE OFFICE

TREVOR & COLGATE,

47 Wall St.

NEW-YORK,

17th Sept 1859

Hon. L. R. Snowden

Director of the Mint

Philad -

Penn -

We have

made application several times of late to the
Assay Office, to know if we can receive in
future fine silver Bars in payment for the sil-
ver contained in gold deposited in their
office for parting. We are informed that
you have this subject under advisement
& if decided affirmatively, will take effect
the first of next month. We are anxious
for a speedy decision, as it will some-
what govern our movements hereafter.

We are among the largest depositors
of gold in the U. S. Assay Office & have
always thought it improper, that after
paying the expense of parting gold, instead
of receiving our silver in fine Bars, we are
compelled to sell it to the Government at
121¢ per oz of 900 fine, when we are paying
for the same in gold 122½¢ per oz, a differ-
ence of 1½¢ per oz & then are further com-

puller to receive payment in silver coin at
the rate of 125¢ per oz, which is not a legal
tender above 5¢. It is a depreciated currency
daily sold in large sums at 1/2 to 3/4 % profit
in our market.

The expenses of putting gold in Europe
are so much less, than with us, that of
late when Exchanges will warrant a shipment
of Gold Bullion to the Continent, Calaforn-
nia Bars are preferred at such a high rate
of premium, that if put into Mint Bars
& sold at 1/16 premium above the stamp
in value, would net a severe loss on
the operation.

We have taken the liberty
of addressing you, believing it to be only
necessary to set before you the unfair-
ness of the operation, to ensure its cor-
rection.

You will much oblige us by fur-
nishing us a copy of "Mint Laws" also copy
Tariffs of Charges - by so doing you
will confer a favor on -
Yours very respectfully

Wm. B. E. Jr.

Wm L

Thos Holgate

New York

Payment for part of
Silver in fine bar

Sept 21, 1889

Apr 21. 55.

Further on:-

I have communicated
with Mr. Bullen, the Capt of the
Spare Office, on the subject matter of
your recent letter to me. The
regulation I have provided in regard
to the mode of paying for return
parties from Jan, 1855, I doubt
not, be satisfactory to you.

I send you, as requested, a copy of
the instructions, and of the provided "Instruc-
tions. &c." at large and one each you
will find the tariff of charges.

I am, with great respect,

Your ob. servant,

James R. Snowden:

165 North 5th St.,
New York.

New York 16th Sept 1859.

The house,

I keep Morrow, Director of the Mint.

Dear Sir

We again are permitted, to request the favour of you, to purchase our English notes, to meet your demands, assuring you, you can find none any where superior to those we sell, and these are terms as as favourable as any.

We are also ready to furnish you with American notes, totaling 68 and the remainder, pure copper, without alloy, or German notes, totaling 63% notes, 36% copper, and 1%, Iron, cobalt &c.

Will you not give us, an opportunity to furnish you at all events, with part of your supply?

Our German notes is on the way to us, and will arrive in about ten days - we have the other kinds now in store.

Yours Most Cordl

We are dear Sir

Most respy Yours

John J. Hollister Esq

S

English ——— 91²⁵ per lb.

Swedish ——— 1⁰⁰ "

German ——— 80⁴ "

From To

John J. Hollins V.C.,

New York

The Hon^{ble}

J. Robt Moore Assoc

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia.

Recd

17, 1899.

NEW.

Mont of the United States
Phila? Sept 17. 1857.

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter of the 14th inst.
I have to say that we have on hand a supply of
Nickel sugar for sale to come, and I fear
do not wish to purchase any at present.

Very Respectfully,
Wm. A. Spencer
Director of the Mint

Alfred J. ...
New York.

Butter Sept 16/59

H C Rutz Esq
Orin

The Winfield
property was all sold yesterday &
purchased by me the personal
sold for near 400\$ I promised
that you and your friends
should have the opportunity
of taking it at the amt of
my duty & what I have to
pay. You now have the
opportunity of doing so, but
will not agree that the offer
shall stand longer than
to receive your answer
in reasonable time, I have
several parties wanting it,
but have not determined
to dispose of it if you

Adieu, I will expect
your answer inside of
a week

Very truly yours
Saml M Lane

Coal Office of E. A. Packer & Co.,

16 & 18 TRINITY BUILDINGS,

New-York,

Sept 17 1859.

J. Ross Snowden Esq
U. S. Minister

Chicago

Sir

Enclosed I
give statement of payments
made by me in account
of Success. agreeably to
your request, which I
trust will prove satisfactory.
I have receipted the
Bill as you will observe.

Yours Truly
E. A. Packer

Thos E A Parker
W. York

ack receipt of
check for 598 88
a/c Sweep Expenses

Sept 24, 1889.

Wm L

E A Parker Esq
New York

Enclosed Statement
of expenses paid
by him on the
Cul. & Survey

Enclosed my
check for same

Sept 20, 1839.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Sept 20. 1859.

Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 17th inst presenting a statement of the expenses incurred by You on account of snaps of the Branch Mint San Francisco. Enclosed please find my check for the amount thereof viz: \$598.88.

In the course of a few days I shall have occasion to communicate with You in relation to sampling the lot of snaps recently received from Cal^a.

Very Respectfully
Samuel R. Chaudron,
Director of the Mint.

E. A. Parker Esq.,
No. 16 Trinity Bazaar,
New York.

To

C. A. Parker Esq
N. Y.

Sampling of Maps
Circular enclosed

Sept 27. 1859.

Abstract of the Minutes of the
Board of Health Sept 27, 1859.

Dear Sir,

Copies of the enclosed Circular
in relation to the sale of the 50 Bbs of snuff
on storage in your city, have been mailed to several
parties today. By the Circular you will see that
I have named the 5th proximo as the time for sampling
the snuff, and I will be glad if you will attend
at Mr. Macy's on that day, and draw samples,
and forward them to me in the same manner as
before, affording parties at the same time an
opportunity to take samples.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Buchanan
Minister of the United States
for Great Britain

Edw. P. R. E.
No 16 Trinity Church
New York C.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Cal.
J. Ross. Snowden,
W. S. Mint-

Philadelphia, Sep 19. 1859.

Dear Sir -

Will you be pleased to
furnish me with a list of the
Officers of your Institution, also
the Rules and Regulations for
visiting, and any other informa-
tion you may deem necessary
for the Public.

I am, dear Sir -

Yours very Respectfully,
Office 606. G. E. Cohen.
Chestnut st. } Per pro Whiting.

Sent a list, and a
statement as to the terms
of reception of visitors;
Sept. 21, J. R. C.

Mem To
S. E. Cohen
Phila.

List of Officers
Minist with letters
for missing requests
furnished

Sept 21, 1859,

United States Assay Office

New York, - Sept. 20, 1859.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th inst. relative to the deficiency of fine silver in the last remittance of deposit silver from this Office to the Mint. As this circumstance was explained at the time of the remittance by Mr. Cisco, in his letter to your Treasurer of the 15th inst., I conclude that the explanation had not been brought to your notice when your letter was written.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

S. F. Butterworth, Asst.

Am. J. R. Seward, } per Geo. F. Dunning.
Director of the Mint. }

From To

Saml W Putnam Esq
Supt U.S. Assay Off
N.Y.

for miners,
Respecting Silver
Bars sent to
the mint

Sept 22, 1839

Dec 22 1871.

Sir,

The bill of Mr. Cline to our
treasurer, of the 18th inst was not received
to me when I attempted you on the 18th
not doubting the difference I find there is
a recent remittance since I have the
journal of the 20th inst I have called for
Mr. Cline's letter, and find it to be
exactly satisfactory on the point in
question.

I am very respectfully
Yours obt. servant,

Samuel R. Knapp,
Director of the Trust.

Sam. H. Butterfield & Co.
Capt. A. J. O'Connell
New York.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

J. M. Walter Esq
Post Office
Washington City

Washington
Friday

Sept 20. 1859.

Sept. 20. 39.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt,
by the hands of Mr. W. Hamilton, of a
silver medal from the Metropolitan Anti-
quarian Society. As the obverse of the medal
presents a likeness of our Father & mine,
I will place it in the Washington
National Cabinet & am collecting for
the Mint.

I enclose for your acceptance a
small copper medal which I have caused
to be struck as a memento of the
commencement of the formation of the
Washington Cabinet in August 1839. I have
now upwards of eighty Washington
in the Collection.

I am very respectfully,
Yours, J. W. Wood.

Wm. W. Wood Esq.
Pres. Anti-Qu. Socy.
Washington City.

James R. Anderson
Director of the Mint.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

September 20 1859

Sir

As per receipt and invoice enclosed
I have this day forwarded fifteen boxes of
silver bullion, of the net value of \$41,272.41
containing gold \$172.66 net, I will thank
you to remit silver dollars for the former and
gold coins for the latter.

Of the above, \$155.35 is of fine
silver; the balance necessary, upon invoice
No 24 will be forwarded in a few days.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U S Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Geo
Treasurer

Treat. Assay Off

N. York

Sep. 20/59

ORIGINAL.

No. *25*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Sixteen boxes, containing

Silver Bullion, of the net value of (*\$41445.07*)

Forty One Thousand, Four
Hundred Forty Five $\frac{7}{100}$ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, for delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Sep 20* 185*9*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

[Signature]

To Supr
Assay Office
New York

Payment for Silver
purchased from J. C. A.
in February

Sept 21, 1839.

I have considered the subject
you recently presented, and during the last
week of having in view the fact from
gold, and have decided it expedient to
make the following regulation, to take
effect on the 1st prox.

In case of deposit of gold when
the silver has been therefor it
will be a bar of not less than twelve
ounces of the standard of refinement,
the same may be had for in fine bars,
subject to the usual charges.

I have named 12 oz. as the minimum,
because for bars of less size cannot be
conveniently made. When the silver
is less than 12 oz. the bar must not be
taken as a standard.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obt. servant.
Samuel R. Chew.
Director of the Mint.

Sam. F. Butterworth Esq.
Capt. & pay Officer
New York.

A.C.

I have received recently a letter
from Mr. J. B. Davis and C. J. A. T.
with a view to the subject; will
give them a full report of the
regulation herein provided.
S. R. C.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

To
Supt. Assay Office
New York

Call his attention to
bars to bars, below
standard being
sent to Mint & descri
regulations, on subject
above

Sept 21. 1854,

Sept. 18. 59.

Sir,

I regret to notice that the
last lot of silver bars received from your
office does not conform to the require-
ments in regard to supplying enough
fine silver to make up the standard.

The gross weight is 22: 19. 827. 10

The standard " " 19. 015. 91

Please see to it that the regulations on
this subject are observed in the future.
Respectfully yours.

I am very respectfully

Yours at St. Louis,

Samuel A. Bland,

Director of the Mint.

Sam. J. Butterworth Esq.

Sept. 18. 59.

New York.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Boston, Sept. 21. 1859.

Dear Sir:

Thanks for the Half dollar. (enclosed with the returned Pine Tree Money) I feel very much your debtor - it is a great improvement upon the die of 1856.

I would like to see a Specimen Silver Coin; (~~Half~~ \$;) with a female head to represent Liberty; cut after the style of the early Greek coins - the head in full relief - a circle of stars - one for each State in the Union - the date full - and the edge of the coin raised to protect the face - the milling deeper than usual - which in my opinion adds to the beauty of the piece. However - I suppose you have quite too many suggestions already.

Please remember me whenever you print a list of your Washingtons.

Very Resp^{ly}, Your O^b Serv^t

Joseph Colburn.

Jas R. Snowden Esq.

From
Jereh. Colburn

"Half Dol"

Sep. 21 1859

Treasury Department
Sept. 24. 1859.

Sir

I enclose herewith a
draft on the Treasurer of the Mint in favor
of the Asst. Treasurer at St. Louis made payable
to Adams Express Co. for \$200. payable in
Cent coins - Be pleased to have the amount
forwarded to St. Louis.

I am very Respy
Wm. L. Cobb
Sec. of the Treasury

J. H. Walton Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Secy of Treasry
Washington
Sep. 24/59

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
September 24 1859

James H. Matton Esqr
Treas U States Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Enclosed herewith,
you will please find Gold Bullion Deposit
Warrants, Number 3254447 The first you
will please cause, to be endorsed by Hayes
& Fell, the depositories, or furnish authority
of Wm H. Mariote to receipt for the payment
of the same. The second No 447 The witness
to the mark of Francisco Arce, should
sign his name in full, which you will please
cause to be done.

Enclosed you will also find
Silver Bullion deposit Warrant No 328.
Payable to Edward S Loop or order, you are
also requested to cause the same to be endorsed
by Mr Loop, as from the face of the Warrant

or receipt there is no evidence of Mr Loop being
either the President or Cashier of a Bank
notwithstanding the receipt is endorsed by
C Lynch Vice President

Very Respectfully
J. S. Smith
Auditor

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First answer

Washington

Sep 24/59

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+ 22

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Mint of the United States.
Phil. Sept. 24, 1859.

Mr. James Burrows, one of the Conductors,
having violated the fourth section of
the Regulations for Visitors, is dismissed
from ^{his} service at the Mint.

The Director regrets ~~that~~ the
necessity that requires this order, - he
could have a former offence of the
same kind on the promise of the
delinquent to avoid securing fees
from visitors. But the recent ~~case~~ ^{case},
~~occurrence~~ which occurred this day
of a similar character, sending
it his duty to enforce the
Rule.

The name of James Burrows will not
appear upon the Rolls of the Mint
after to-day. S. Linderman, Principal
Clerk, will notify ^{the party} of his dismissal.
James R. R. R. R. R.,
Director of the Mint.

order
discharge
James Burrows

4 Stone St.
New York 24th Sept. 1859.

Dear Sir,

Will you be kind enough to inform us if the Mint will receive Copper Coin (United States) and pay for value in gold or silver, and if not whether it will be taken at a discount, and at what rate?

We are induced to address you on this matter as we are obliged to take considerable payments in Copper, and find ourselves quite unable to get rid of them at value.

Your reply as early as convenient will
Very much oblige

Your obt. Servant.

Andrew P. M. Brown.

To
J. Ross Snowden Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Imm L

Anderson & McEwan
NY

Exchange Copper Cents

Sept 26. 1889.

To the Director of the Mint
Philadelphia,

Yours
J. Ross Snowden,



September-26 59.

Gentlemen:

Supposing that your
letter of the 24th inst refers to
"Copper Coins" of the old issue,
I have to state that we receive
them and pay in exchange for
them the new cent (nickel &
copper). But no other exchange
is made for them, nor for
the cents of the new issue.

Very respectfully

John A. Ward,

Cassius M. Alexander,
Secretary of the Mint

Prof. Andrews & Co. Evans.

109 4 Stone Street;
New York.

BANK OF RUTLAND.

Rutland, Vt., Sept 23^d 1859.

Treasurer Munis
Phila

Dear Sir:

Your favor of _____
received with enclosure.

is

I send herewith my CK
on Metropolitan Bank N.Y. \$500—
Please send me for same. by Adams & Co.
Express to be delivered the National Express Co
at New York. Come as follows.

\$300 in Dollars
150 in 1/2 do
50 in cents.

Obligo yours
Respectfully &c
J. B. Page Cash

Bank of

Rutland, Vt.

Sep. 23/59

No 48th 10th 20
Sept 23/1859

Dear Sir!

Of the little
Washington piece you find
enclosed is worth any thing to
you. I would like to have
a pattern half Dollar of
1859 in copper

very respectfully
J. B. Snowden Esq. R. Logan
(Director of U. S. Mints)

Mrs.
H. Lagan

Wash^m Rice

Sep 23/59

BANKING AND EXCHANGE OFFICE OF
JAMES M. DIXON,

No. 211 Greenwich St. New York, Sept. 23. 1859

Mr. J. R. Snowden

Dr. Sir,

I have a mint certificate
No. 2979. for One Hundred & fifty Dollars New Cents
dated August 29th 1859. which was to have been
forwarded to me in this City - will you please
forward the same & oblige me

Respectfully Yours

J. M. Dixon
211 Greenwich St

If the ab. will forward certificate to Adams &
Co it will be paid at once
Y.

James M. Dixon
N.Y.

Cent certificate
payment thereof

Sept 26, 1889,

27 William St.
Col J R Shroden
to. (New York Sept 28 1839)

Dear Sir

I enclose a third copy of the
Washⁿ medal, not being as yet informed
whether you received the second which
I sent from Hartford. If you have it
in your collection, or receive it hereafter,
please give me credit for it.

Allow me to suggest a subject of
inquiry. The Washⁿ cent of 1791 has
been commonly called an American
cent & Dickeson pronounces it of
American origin. Dr. H. & McKim also
in their large manual speak of it as
from the mint.

I have one copy of this cent in my
collection which has on the edge the
names Bradley, Wiley, Snedhill, Bensham.

Is it not probable that this is
the name of an English firm of
Tradesmen? And still more
when you look at the small eagle
cent of 1791. That one which has the
date under the eagle. The head
on this cent is identical with
the head on the Liverpool halfpenny
Washington - This latter is of course
English as it is "payable in London
anywhere &c." It seems very
evident that the being English
the small eagle cent of 1791 must
also be English & the large eagle
cent though not the same die
resembles it closely & my copy
with this legend on the edge

leads me to the conviction that
the cents of 1791 are all of English
origin. Have you any evidence
at the mint to contradict this,
conclusively, or to justify the
current investigation on page 15 of *Seignior*
denarii (foot note), that the Washington
Cent of any date was struck at
the mint?

I trust you will not forget me
when you publish your list
of which you speak some time
hence.

Very Respy. Yrs

W. L. Rennie

P.S. I don't want to take your time with
answering these questions but I am
just completing an article on the
subject & if you have any evidence on the
subject that will change my conclusions I should

From W. L. Rimey Esq

be glad to receive a copy of it.

W. L. R.

N. Y.

Washington Messrs

Sept 30, 1839.



Sept 29

Dear Sir,

I am very much obliged to you
for your favor of the 23rd inst enclosing the
Buckingham Palace letter of the 18th inst
(see note). It is very acceptable &
will find a place in my collection
Cabinet.

In regard to your question regarding
the Buckingham Court I have to state that the
heads of the Court do not intend for
anybody to give any witness on
the subject. We have an very clear
tradition. Subsequent to the 18th inst
of the Court you mention one of it
as there was a letter a while since
in London which states the fact
that the Court in question was
made by one of the seats of
Birmingham. A great difference
of opinion seems to exist as to the origin

of them cut.

Thanking you for your kind
attention.

I am, with much esteem
your very truly
James B. Cunningham
Secretary of the Mount

McClellan E. S.
of Baltimore St.
New York.

U. S. Assay Office, New York,

Treasurer's Department.

Sept 22 1859

Sir

I have this day forwarded, for receipt and invoice enclosed, two boxes of fine silver of the net value of \$5,227.65 for which I will thank you to remit silver dollars.

This will enable invoices No. 24 & 25 to conform to standard.

If possible, it will be desirable to have our accounts closed within the quarter.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas' U. S. Mint

Wm. J. Geo
Treasurer

Wm. May Off

N. York

Sep. 22/59

No. *26*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Two boxes, containing*Silver* Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *5227.65*)*Five thousand*
hundred & twenty seven $\frac{65}{100}$ Dollars,~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

Sept 22 185*9*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

J. N. Babcock

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

September 21 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$26,773.83 in Gold Coins for invoice N^o 23.

I also inclose corrected invoice N^o 24 by which you will perceive the Standard weight of N^o 504, was omitted in the former statement.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. C. Bee
Treasurer

J. D. Watson Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

5	0	8	9
177	5	0	0
16	0	0	5
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		8	8
			9
174	3	5	

174	3	5
15	8	5
42	2	0
202	9	0

Treas. Assay Off.

N York

Sep. 21/59

918.53
1000.
81.67
46.53
35.14

Respected Bro.
Col. A. A. Landon,

Enclosed, I take pleasure
in presenting you with a little matter, which
I have no doubt will be of much interest to
you, viz: - the first Official Resolution of Congress
towards the establishment of a Mint, signed
by Thos. Jefferson, as Secretary, in the Cabinet
of Genl. Washington.

I also send a slip from the
Dispatch, about the "Washington 1792 Counterfeit."

With great respect I remain
Very Truly

Yours &c.
A. A. Landon

Philas Tuesday Aug
Sept. 20/59

"Sunday
Dispatch"

Sept. 18. '59

OLD COLLECTOR.—"In passing a store, the other day, my attention was directed towards some coins in a shop window. Among others I noticed some with the device of the 'Lord Baltimore coin.' They were struck by the storekeeper as cards, or medals, with his name in so small a letter that some persons have attempted to sell them as originals. But what astonished me most, was the 'Washington' cent, of 1792, struck in copper, for sale at a very low price; also, some struck as business store cards in brass and other metals. Now you will perceive that the manufacture of such cards, coins, or medals, cannot but be very injurious to dealers and collectors of coins, as the originals are very scarce. The manufacture of them would greatly depreciate their value, and not only that, but in a short time we can, no doubt, be accommodated with scarce cents of 1799, &c., which would so lower the value that it would be no longer an interest to collect them."

Wm. L.

Rev Coulter Davis

Phil^a

Enclosing certified
copy of first official
Resolution of Congress
towards establishing
a Mint.

Ack. same with
my thanks

Sept 22. 1821.

Sept. 22. 59.

My dear Sir,

I have received your favor of the 20th inst, enclosing, for my acceptance a most interesting paper, namely, a printed official copy of the Resolutions of Congress passed March 3. 1790, authorizing the establishment of the Mint, and as copied from the Rolls of the State Department by Mr. Lippincott.

With many thanks for this, and other acts of kindness, I have remained your,

I am, with much respect,
Your friend & old servant,
James B. Thompson,

Asst. Secy. Treas. U.S. Mint.
167 1/2 Pine Street.

P.S. It is my intention to have
the paper bound, and placed in the collection
now in the custody of the Librarian.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

United States Appraisers Office,

Boston, Mass. Sept. 16th, 1859.

Dear Sir:

Having one of the best Collections of American Coins (in New England); I am extremely desirous to obtain a complete series of the Pattern pieces as they are struck at the Mint within a few days I have seen the following pieces which I have not -

Half dollar - in Silver - 1859

" " " Copper - 1859 Not Seen.

Twenty " piece " " 2 Varieties.

1/4 Eagle " " 1860.

Three cent piece - Ob: "3". Rev: "III".

One Cent - 1851. Nickel.

I am very willing to pay for them in money (it is proper) - or will give in exchange - whatever shall be considered -

an equivalent for them. for this purpose
I sent ~~an~~ Franco: in Silver - and now send
you Speciment of Pine Tree money - and
if made aware of what would be desirable
I will endeavor to procure ~~it and~~ the
Speciment wanted ~~if~~ they are to be
obtained. I have a Franco: in Bronze &
an "Evacuation (Washington before Boston),
Medal" which I will forward if you wish
them.

With much respect:
Yours Obedt Servt.

Joseph Colburn.

P.S. A parcel directed to the care of Luke Samon.
"Kinsleys Express" - will come safe to hand.

Wm L
Leah Colburn
Boston
Mass

Printed and Endorsed
and returned

Sept 21, 1859,

Oct. 19. 59.

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged to you for your favor of the 16th inst enclosing for me specimens of the *Pend. mac. maculosa*: but as I cannot my attention to the *Washington* pieces I do not wish to receive them.

But cannot help being supplied with these pieces. Besides I must state that there are some of the pieces mentioned in your letter which I do not hope.

I have been very anxious to send you a small honorarium, but as the *Pend. mac. maculosa* is very scarce I have been obliged to send you the *Pend. mac. maculosa* in the name of the *Pend. mac. maculosa*.

I am very respectfully,

Yours very truly,

John Collins Esq. *John Collins Esq. 100 N. 3rd St. Phila. Pa.*
100 N. 3rd St. Phila. Pa.
Baker St.

Sept. 16. 59.

Dear Sir,

Please send me the Washington and Lafayette medals mentioned in your favor of yesterday. It will be very acceptable. As an honorary I enclose to you a small medal, in copper, which I got up to commemorate the Commencement of my Washington Medal Cabinet - May 1859. - The artist is Mr. Pezzotti formerly of your city.

I am, with great respect,

Yours all servant,

James Ross Snowden.

Director of the Mint.

W. C. Prime Esq.

W. 27 William St.

New York

27 William St
New York Septem 1839

Dear Sir

I am afraid my
last must have been unintel-
ligible, or obscure. The
question I asked was simply
whether you received a
second medal from me —

Some time since I sent you
a lead medal —

ob. Washington's head & bust,
surrounded with names of various
presidents &c and ^{of} Genl Lafayette.

Rev. a large eagle holding a
scroll in his beak —

sent of medal 1834. probably
struck about the time of Lafayette's death.

You sent me in exchange for

it a 1/2 dollar of 1838 — &

you remarked that you had

before
never seen or heard of the
medal. Nor had I.

While at Hartford about six
weeks ago I enclosed to you
by mail a second copy of this
same medal, & be placed in
your Mt Vernon collection

I have never heard whether
you received it - If you
have two copies of the medal
it is probable that you
didn't receive it. It is of
little value & not worth
the trouble of writing about
but as I find the medal
considered rare and I
am able to use the dupli-

cates I have in exchange
here I did not care to
send a third copy without
being sure that you had
not received the second.

In my letter from Hart-
ford enclosing the medal
I referred to the previous
one, sent.

Please examine, & if you
have two copies of this medal
of 1834, then you doubtless
received my second. If
you have not got them &
have only one, I will send
you another if you desire
it.

Very Truly Yrs

W. F. Pease

(over)

Some time ago I published
a brief editorial paragraph
in the Journal of Commerce
calling attention to your
collection. No medals or
coins have been received
at the office or they
would have been forwarded
to you, but I see the
paragraph extensively
copied & hope it will
aid you. I am finishing
up an article for Harper's
Magazine which will also
when published assist
your object.

Lund
H. L. Prime &
New York

Washington Mead

Sept 16. 1839

Wm L
Williams Esq
New York

Washington Medals

Half Penny +
Token

Sept 16. 1839.

are much more than of the Washington
pieces that I propose exchanging for them.
But it is possible you may not regard
the fictitious prices of dealers & I therefore
propose the exchange of these two pieces for
any two of the pattern half dollars (one of
which I desire to have, the flying Eagle 1/2
doll. of 1838.)

If you desire to make the exchange,
please inform me and I will send the
coins to you by mail. You can, on receipt
of them, send me the pattern pieces by mail.

Respectfully

C. Williams

New York Observer Office
New York

Sept 16.

Dr. Williams replied by saying
that being well supplied with the
above Washington he need not send
them.

Sept. 15th 1839

Dear Sir,

I have duplicates of

The following two coins,

1st The Washington Half penny.

Reverse a ship &c. in very good condition.

2^d The Washington token

Reverse a grate &c.

proof condition

I am of course familiar with the two without farther description, and it is probable that you have them both in your collection, but if you have not I would like to effect an exchange with you for them. I want the pattern half dollars issued by the mint in 1838 & thereabouts. I am aware that in the coin catalogues the prices of those pattern pieces

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / SEPTEMBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859/OCTOBER

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

October 25th 1854

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$4,445.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ in Silver dollars and gold
Coins, being the balance due on invoice No
25

Very Respectfully,

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. W. Co
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Oct. 25/59

W.H.S.
Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
October 25th 1859.

Sir: Ross Snowden Esqr.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: I herewith enclose copy of the response
from the U.S. Consul at Asuncion in Paraguay,
to the Circular of April 1st 1859, on the subject
of foreign currency.

Very respectfully,
Yours Obedt. Servt.
W. McKim
Comptroller.

Wm
Anthony
Emphote
Treasury Department

Inclosing papers
on the currency question

Oct 20, 1859—

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16155

Chief of the Mission
Phila? Oct 21 1877.

Dear Sir,

Your offer of 75 per cent of the Mission
allowance for the 10th of Dec? surplus on the
in Your City is accepted. The balance will
amount to about \$1750. As you furnish me
with a receipt for that amount, I will give the
necessary instructions for the paying of the surplus
and this delivery to you.

Very Respectfully,

James R. K. K. K.
Director of the Mission.

J. J. H. Tamm,
22 1/2 Cooper Street,
New York

To Dr J W Humm
New York

Accepted for success.

Oct 26, 1859-

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 26. Oct. 1859

Dear Sir

By your permission I have succeeded in disposing of the Chemical Balance used in the Mint Laboratory at the same price we paid for it, which sum has been paid over to Mr Patterson on behalf of the Treasurer. As the object of sale was to replace it by another of superior quality, & at the same time to obtain a balance, which would be intermediate in its draft between the large balances of the Mint, & the delicate Assay Balances, I now request permission to import from Berthling in London such a balance, capable of weighing from 1000 grains to .001 of a grain. This Berthling is the same who supplied us with the most accurate, & in every respect, the best Assay Balance, which

the Assay Department employs, and whose weights we have also found by experience to be the most reliable.

As Messrs. Bullock & Crenshaw are in direct correspondence with Berthing I would suggest this house as the best medium of importation, & request them to have the box containing the balance to be addressed to your care from London, by Steamer or sailing vessel.

Very truly yours
J. C. Booth
M. & R.

J. R. Snowden, Esq.
Director

U. S. Mint



Philadelphia October 26. 1859.

Col. James Ross Snowden
Director U. S. Mint,

Dear Sir

Your favor of 25th
duly rec^d. In reply I beg leave to say, I will
furnish the United States Mint with 8000 lbs
of Nickel, the quality to be approved of by the
Melter & Refiner of said Mint, & to contain no less
than 98 per cent of pure Nickel for \$1⁴⁵/₁₀₀ per
lb.

I remain
Your Most Obedient Servant.
Ezra Phillips

J. M. T. L.

New Pharmacy
New Chemist
Phila

Proportion supply
nickel - accepted

Oct 26, 1854 -

October 26 59.

Dear Sir

The terms proposed in
your letter of to-day are
quite satisfactory. and are
approved

Yours very truly
Samuel Rose Chandler
Director of the Mint.

Mr. Morse Phillips.
Manufacturing Chemist.
No. 27 N. Front St.

Baltimore, Oct. 27/59.

Mr. Snowden

Dear Sir - I perceive by an article in the Rural Register, of this city, that you desire to obtain a copy of each of the Washington coins. I have one - a cent - of the following description: - On the front, "Washington and Independence;" ~~"1800"~~ and on the other side: "Unity States of America;" "One Cent," ^{"1"}/₁₀₀. You can obtain it, if desired, by addressing me a letter to that effect, directed as follows:

John M. Ziegler,
Chm Office, Balto. Cld.

Given To

John M. Pugh
Baltimore
Md

Washington Medal
"Unity State"

Nov 1, 1859

Star 1.

59

Dear Sir,

As I have several copies
of the "Washington" reference to me
from the, it will not be necessary
for me to purchase the one in your
possession, but I am nevertheless
obliged to you for your kind
offer.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Buchanan
Minister of the Mint.

Mr John M. Zeigler
Sims Office
134 1/2
Main

No. of Bank -----

Date of Report -----

HENRY J. ULLMANN,
PRESIDENT.
DANIEL ULLMANN,
CASHIER.

The Bank of Racine,

Racine, Wisconsin, Oct 27 18 59

United States Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Enclosed we hand you our sight aft
on The American Exchange Bank New York City \$500.
Racine County Bank on Bank of Commonwealth. W. 200.
Jester Ullmann on North Hill W 200
\$1000.

please send us new silver coin, by expref. for above amount
in denominations of 5.[¢] 10.[¢] & 25.[¢]—
can you not afford to pay expref charges?

Yours Truly
Daniel Ullmann Cash

Oct 31, Draft deposited for loan by Director

Mr L

Daniel Ullman &
Cash Bank of Racine
Racine
Wis

Encloses Drafts for
\$1000 + request

Proceeds in small
Silver change

Oct 31, 1859,

\$1000 in Silver coin
forwarded Nov 24, 1859

Nov 24. 59

Sir,

I send you to day for Adams Express
\$4000 in quarters, \$300 in dimes & \$500
in half dimes. - in all \$5000. - for
drafts for that amount enclosed
in your letter of the 27th ult^o.

The Mint does not in any case
pay the expenses of transportation
on gold or silver coin. Exchanges
with the coin are only made
to accommodate the public with
change.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Roman
Dan. L. Ullmann & Co. Directors of the Mint
Cash^r. Bank of Racine,
Racine, Wis.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

New York, 27th. Oct. 1859.

No. 27 Cooper Institute.

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint, Phila.

Dear Sir,

I have the
honour to acknowledge the receipt of
your esteemed favour of yesterday, stating
that my offer of 75% of the Mint Assay
for the 50 Bbls. of California Sweep, on
storage, in this city, has been accepted.
About a month ago, I shipped to Europe
Sweep, which cost me about eight
thousand dollars.

I have enjoined upon my correspondents,
to make me an advance on the same,
as soon as it is received, without waiting
Sales.

I have, therefore, a reasonable expectation
that I shall be able to pay for what
I have now purchased before Christmas.
I understand that the Sweep is at the
service of the Mint, till relieved; otherwise
I begged to be informed, that I may insure the
same.

Hoping the above will meet with your
approval, I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Wm. H. G. G.
J. W. F. F.

Thm L

Dr J. W. Hamann

New York

In relation to insuring
50 Bk. Sweeps

Oct 28. 1854

Col. James Ross & Co.

Directors N. O. Mount,

Philadelphia,

Pa.

Minist of the United States.
Philad^a Oct 28. 1859.

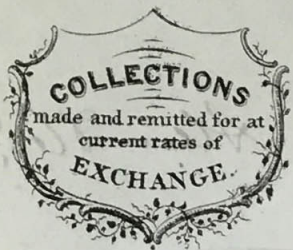
Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of yesterday.

I propose to effect an insurance, at
your expense, of say \$4000 for three months, on the 50
Btls of snuff on storage in your city. If this be satisfac-
tory your bid for the snuff in question, will be considered
as accepted, subject to the payment by you, prior to their
delivery, of the amount indicated in my letter of the
26th inst.

Very Respectfully Yours,
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Dr J. H. Farnum
No. 27 Cooper Institute,
New York



THE CITY BANK
OF
Games, Allen & Co.

Ottawa, Ill. Oct 27 1859

Manager U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Amount
on # 16359 on at Nicholas Bk N.Y. \$100.
Please send us amount in New cents for
draft -

Yrs truly

E. C. Allen

Draft deposited by
A R Linderman

Oct 1, 1859 - Draw payable on 3^d

John L.

Messrs Eames Allen & Co.

Ottawa

Mc

\$100 in cents
forwarded for draft

Nov 4. 1889

25.04.08
94.079.10

Nov 4.

59

Sir,

I send you to-day per
Adams Express freight paid,
\$1000 in cents of the new issue,
for draft for that amount enclosed
in your letter of the 27th ult.

Very Respectfully,
J. B. Bowdoin
Director of the Mint

Wm. James Allen Esq.
Othawa, Ill.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Pittsburgh Oct 27/57
James H. Snowden Esq

Sir

Your favor of
24th Instant is duly received cover-
ing draft for one Hundred Dollars
for the Mint which will be forth-
with attended to - Three fine
pairs on hands - they are all cast
and two pair finished and the
rest we are going on with and
will have them ready pretty
soon and will send them
on

Respectfully
Wm L Parry
By D W Gormy

Ann To

John C Barry
Pillsbury
Pa

ack. order
for 2000

Nov 1, 1859—

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Oct 27, 1859.

Sir,

I have received your letter of yesterday with the enclosures stated.

In order to carry into effect the new regulation you have prescribed in relation to the requisitions from the branch mints and assay office, I have to request that you will cause to be sent to me, a statement of the amounts standing to the credit of the appropriations of these institutions respectively, at the present time.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Saml. A. Bowers.

Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb,

Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

To The Sec of the Treasury

standing to credit of
Amount of appropriations
of the Treasury
officially respecting

Oct 27. 1854

New York, 20th. Oct. 1859.

No. 27 Cooper Institute.

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U. S. M. Philad^a.

Dear Sir,

I hereby ac-
cede to your proposition; ^{of yesterday,} to effect an insurance
at my expense, of say \$4000 for three months,
on the 50 Bbls. of Suet on store in this city.
If had it been necessary, I would have borrowed
the requisite sum, on the security of the
a Bill of Exchange, fortified by ^{the} Bills
of Lading, but deemed it injudicious,
(to me a homely expression,) to carry all
my eggs in the same basket.

I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Truly,
J. W. Garrison.

J
Mm

Dr L. W. Farnum

New York

Col. James Ross Snowden,

Director M. A. M. M.

Philadelphia

Pa.

accede to my proposition
as to insurance of sheep.

Nov 1, 1859—



Trinity Scholastic
Oct 28 1859

Sir:

Herewith you will find enclosed
a copy of the report made by Professor
Alexander, requested in your letter of the 26th inst.

Very respectfully
Yours &c

W. L. Taylor
Assistant Secretary

James K. Hadden Esq
Director of the Mint
Phil^a

of
mms

J. Clayton Esq

Act Sec Treasury

In making copy of
report of Prof
Alexander

Oct 31. 1859—

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

October 28th 1859

Sir

I have this day forwarded by the
Atlantic Express Company one box fine gold bars
of the net value of \$13,814.07 for which
I will thank you to remit double eagles at
your earliest convenience

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer of U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia

Wm J. C. W. Co
Treasurer

Treat. Army Office

N. York

Oct 28/59

No. *29*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

One box, containing*Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 13,814.07)**Thirteen thousand Eight**Hundred & fourteen* — *7* — 100 Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and delivery to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Oct 28* 185*9*.

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

No. 29.

Five Part of Fine Gold trans-
mitted to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, in pursuance
of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco, Treasurer
of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

One Box #1. containing

Nos. 1236, 1238, 1245, 1246, & 1249:

Weight 677.03 oz @ 992 $\frac{7}{8}$

Stand. oz. 746.238 = \$13883.49

Deduct for Coinage, 69.42

Net Value, \$13814.07

1859

October 28.

No 29. Gold

Net \$13.814.07

Rec^d 29th Oct 1859

J. R. Snowden Esq.,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed

please find two Washington
medals or Raffle checks
for which please send
me the '36 two cent piece -
the '38 3 cent pieces, the
Washington and Franklin
medals - But 100 have
been struck and the die
I have purposely broken -

By sending me the above
exchange you will be
entitled to two chances in
a raffle for Numismatic
Books.

will take
place and should

you ^{min. the} ^{min. the} prove a valuable
acquisition - Among the lot
is a fine copy of Ruding -

Folker, Lindsey, ~~San~~ ^{San} Antonio &c.
in all \$70.00 worth. I have
~~just~~ ~~sent~~ ~~the~~ Washington
Presidents from Mr.
Bridgers, so that the exchange
will come to me. Please
send me for it as many
duplicate patterns as you
"can spare" It is extremely
rare in this City - there
being only one in this little
place. ~~I~~ ~~have~~ ~~ascertained~~
that but 4 were struck
on account of the mistakes
in Spelling. This I had directly
from Mr. Bridgers himself.
Please answer as soon as
possible and oblige

Truly Yours

A B Sage

24 Division St

N.Y.

N.Y. Oct 29, 54

From To
Mr A B Sage
New York

Washington Muddy

"Raffa Wrens"

Nov 7. 1854

Nov 24 1797

Dear Sir,

I received recently a letter
from your mother, the happy child
in the above mentioned letter
and of which, she is it appears
very much pleased.

As I hope you are well of your
country, all the best wishes for
the future from your mother
and I hope you will be
happy.

Very respectfully

Yours

Richard

Wm. D. W. Esq. Secretary of the
Department of the Interior

Form 23A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Treasury Department.

Comptroller's Office.

October 31st 1859.

James Ross Snowden,

Director of the Mint.

Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed please find reply
of E. E. Rice, Esq. U. S. Commercial Agent
at Hakodadi, Japan, to Circular of Apr.
1st 1859. The Japanese Coin transmitted
by him, is also, herewith.

Very respectfully,

Your obedt. Servt.

W. McKim

Comptroller.

I am
Hon W. Medill
Comptroller

Enclosing report
on currency question

Nov 1, 1859—

COMMERCIAL BANK,

Racine, Wis. Oct 31st 1859

J. Ross Snowden Esq
Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

Enclose my dft
on New York \$500. for which please
send me by Express as follows

\$300. Quarters
\$100. Dimes
\$100. Half Dimes

And Oblige

Very Rply Yours

J.W. Moore Cash

Draft deposited
by sender for collection

Forward proceeds
on 10th

1 sent to Commercial Bank
Racine, Wis.

Nov: 10th
1859

\$500 in Silver Coins.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO., 116 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO.'S
GREAT
Eastern, Western & Southern Express.

\$500 —

Philadelphia, Nov 10 1859

Received of Director of U. S. Mint
one Bag and said to contain

Five Hundred Dollars
in Silver Coins

MARKED

Commercial Bank
Nacire
Mrs

To be forwarded as addressed: THE EXPRESS COMPANY not to be held responsible for any loss or damage arising from fire, railroad accidents, ocean or river navigation, etc., UNLESS SPECIALLY INSURED BY THEM, AND SO SPECIFIED IN THIS RECEIPT

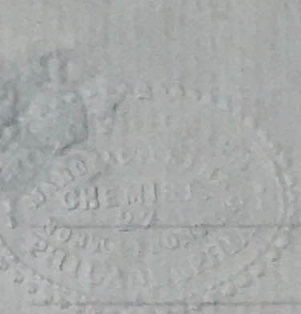
Freight, _____

Insurance, _____

FOR THE PROPRIETORS,

G. L. Thompson

GUSTAVUS V. TOWN, PRINTER, NO. 4 HUDSON'S ALLEY.



Philadelphia October 24. 1859.

Col. James Ross Snowden

Director of United States Mint.

Dear Sir,

Having an offer
of a Consignment of Swedish & English Nickel, I
take the liberty of inquiring if you are at the present
time in want of any, knowing that the article is
used in large quantities at the U. S. Mint.

I remain

Your most obedient servant
Wm Phillips

\$ on 6. or 8.00

From To

Mrs Phillips

Phel^a,

Supply of nickel

Oct 25, 1859

October 20th 59.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of yesterday. If you can furnish us with superior quality articles at good prices, and the price is satisfactory of our purchase from you say 7 or 8,000 pounds. It would be very paying to have a specimen of the article (such quantity as Mr. North may require) for trial.

Yours very truly
James, R. P. W. W. W.
Director of the Bank

Mr. Wm. Phillips

Phila?

Nov 21/59

M. P. H. H.
Philadelphia
Pa

Enclosed please find a dollar for which please
send me in return Four Gold Quarters if you have not got them
on hand you can send Silver in their places.

& oblige
Franklin Reese

Wm L
Franklin Reese
~~Esq~~
New York
Illion.

Four dollar
enclosed for
"4 four quarter dollars"

Nov 4, 1889

Nov 24

59

Sir,

Your letter of the 3rd ult. enclosing
one dollar and desiring "for gold
quarters" to be sent in return thereof,
has been received. I presume

You refer to the pieces that were
issued a few years since, by mint
recaying establishment in Cal. &c. &c. &c.
by such pieces were occasionally
received at the Mint, but were
all melted up. - Lately, none
have been brought to the Mint.

The gold dollar enclosed
in your letter is hereunto returned.

Very Respectfully
J. R. Bowler.
Director of the Mint

Wm. H. Rice Esq.
Ithaca, N.Y.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

To
The Register of
the Treasury

Transmitting Annual
Estimates fiscal
year ending June
30, 1859.—

Oct 24, 1857.—

Oct. 24. 7.

Sir,

Herewith I enclose the estimates of appropriations required for the Mint and its branches and the Assay Office, for the fiscal year ending June 30. 1859.

Copies of the above estimates with the grounds for the same, and an explanatory letter, will be transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury to-day.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant.

James R. Snowden,

Director of the Mint

Hon J. P. Bigger,
Register of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Annual Estimates
for
Fiscal Year
ending
June 30. 1861

Special file
Oct. 19. 1859

Estimate of appropriations required for the Mint of the United States, the Branch Mint, and the Assay Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1861.

Mint of the United States

Estimate of appropriations required for the service of appropriations unexpended for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1861. Estimate of balance of appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1860, which may be applied to the service of the next fiscal year.

Mint of the United States, at Philadelphia

For salary of the Director of the Mint, per act of January 15, 1837, 5 years pay, 60,000	60,000		60,000
For salaries of Treasurer, Assayer, Minter & Refiner, Chief Coiner & engraver, at \$5,000 each per same act	10,000		10,000
For Assistant Assayer and Assistant Minter & Refiner, at \$1,500 each per same act	3,000		3,000
Seven clerks, viz: 3 at \$1,500 each, and 4 at \$1,000 each, per act of August 4 th 1854; 10 Laws, page 573, sec 13	11,400		11,400
For wages of Workmen & Adjuncts	67,000		74,500
Incidental and contingent expenses, including postage, in addition to estimate unexpended balance under this head at the close of the current fiscal year	30,000	20,000	75,000

Specimens of ore and coin to be received in the cabinet of the Mint. . . .
 Transportation of Bullion from Assay Office New York, to the Mint
 for Coinage, per Act of March 3^d 1853; 10 Laws page 212. . . .

300
5,000

300
10,000

Branch Mint at San Francisco

For Salaries of Superintendent and Treasurer, at \$4,500 each, Act of
 July 3^d 1852; 10 Laws, page 11, Sec 2. . . .

9,000
9,000

9,000
9,000

Assayer, Melted Refiner & other, at \$3,000 each, per same Act. . . .
 Six clerks; 5 at \$2,000 each, and 1 at \$2,500, per same Act, and
 Act of August 4th 1854; 10 Laws, pages 11, 201 and 258. . . .

12,500

10,000

Wages of Workmen and other, in addition to estimated expen-
 pend a balance of former appropriation at the close of the current
 fiscal year. . . .

96,928

70,000

165,928

Incidental contingent Expenses, including postage, in addition
 to the above memo. . . .

29,442.50

68,952.50

Assay Office, New York.

For Salary of Superintendent, per Act of March 3^d 1853; 10 Laws page 212.
 Assayer and Melted Refiner, at \$3,000 each, per same Act

3,500
6,000

3,500

Assayer, and Assistant Collector & Refiner, at \$2000 each, per same act.	4,000		4,000
one at \$1500, per same act.			
Stages of Workmen, in addition to available means	11,400		11,400
	24,000	12,000	40,000

Branch Mint, at New Orleans.

In Salary of Superintendent, per act of February 13, 1837; 5 Laws page 147	2,500		2,500
Treasurer, per same act, and act of September 30, 1850; 9 Laws page 331	4,000		4,000
Assayer, Coiner and Melter & Refiner, at \$2000 each, per act of February 13, 1837; 5 Laws page 147	6,000		6,000
Three Clerks per act of August 4th 1854, and March 3d 1855; 10 Laws, pages 573 and 673	5,800		5,800
Stages of Workmen in addition to other available means	28,519.45	5,040.55	39,000
Incidental & contingent Expenses, including postage, in addition to other available means	35,000.00		26,500

Branch Mint at Charlotte, North Carolina

Salary of Superintendent, per act of February 12, 1837; 5 laws page 117
 Miner and Assayer, at \$1000 each, per same act - - - - -
 Clerk, per act of March 3d 1835; 4 laws page 774 - - - - -
 Agents of Unknown - - - - -
 Accidental and Contingent Expenses, including postage - - - - -

2000

3000

1000

3500

2.100

2000

3000

1000

2600

Available funds
 sufficient

Branch Mint at Savannah, Georgia.

Salary of Superintendent, per act of February 12, 1837; 5 laws page 117
 Miner and Assayer, at \$1500 each, per same act - - - - -
 Clerk, per act of March 3d 1835; 4 laws page 774 sec 2 - - - - -
 Agents of Unknown - - - - -
 Accidental and Contingent Expenses, including postage
 in addition to the available funds - - - - -

2000

3000

1000

2880

1.120

2000

3000

1000

2880

Available funds
 sufficient

Department of the United States
Philadelphia Oct. 17. 1857

Sir,

I transmit to-day to the Register of the Treasury, the estimates of the appropriations required for the support of the Mint and its branches for the fiscal year ending June 30. 1861. A copy of these estimates together with the grounds upon which they are founded, I have with me here for your examination.

The estimates are in the aggregate one hundred and sixty seven thousand one hundred and fifty five dollars and eighty four cents (\$167,000.84) less than the amount appropriated for the current fiscal year. At the Mint in Philadelphia, there is an estimated reduction of \$57,300. At the branch Mint in San Francisco \$95,675.27; and at the assay office in New York \$20,000. Part of this reduction is due to the fact that at these institutions named considerable sums of money appropriated for the present year will not in all probability be required.

and during the year, as will be seen
by a perusal of the grounds of estimates herewith
enclosed. These show that unexpected saving
for ~~the~~ ^{the} State, to diminish the amount needed
during the next year. The exercise of the
strictest economy in all the expenditures have
procured this result. The further diminution
is made in consequence of an expectation that
a further reduction in the expenditures during
the next year will be practicable.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,

John A. Andrew,
Director of the State

Mr. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Director of the United States
Philadelphia Oct 17. 1867.

Sir,

I transmit herewith the estimates
of appropriations required for the support
of the Mint and its branches for the fiscal
year ending June 30, 1868. Copies of
these estimates and the reports upon which
they are founded, together with an explanatory
letter, will be sent to the Secretary of the
Treasury to-day.

Very Respectfully,
Yours obt. servt.

James A. B. S. S. S.
Director of the Mint

Hon. F. B. Biggs,
Register.

Treasury Department,
Washington City.

Estimates of appropriations required for the Mint of the United States, the Branch Mints and the assay Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1860.

Heads of Appropriation

Estimates of appropriations required for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1860, which 1860 may be applied to the service of the next fiscal year.

Mint of the United States, at Philadelphia

For salary of the Director of the Mint, per act of January, 15, 1857; 5 laws, page 137 Sec. 7	\$3,500	\$3,500
For salaries of Treasurer, Assayer, Melter & Refiner, Chief Coiner and Engraver, at \$2000 each per same act.	10,000	10,000
For Assistant Assayer and Assistant Melter & Refiner at \$1500 each, per same act	3,000	3,000
Seven Clerks, viz: 3 at \$1800 each, and 4 at \$1500 each, per act of August 4, 1854; 10 Laws, page 578, Sec. 13.	11,400	11,400
For wages of workmen & adjusters	67,000	77,200

Incidental and contingent expenses, including postage in addition to estimated unexpended balance under this head at the close of the current fiscal year.
 Specimens of ores & coins to be received in the Laboratory of the Mint
 Transportation of Bullion from Assay Office N.Y. to the Mint for coinage
 per act of March 3^d 1853; 10 Laws page 222

Branch Mint at San Francisco

Salaries of Superintendent and Treasurers, at \$4,500 each Act of Aug. 3^d 1852; 10 Laws page 11 Sec. 2 - - - - -
 Assayer, Melter & Refiner and Coiner, at \$3,000 each per same act.
 Superintendents: 5 at \$2,000 each and 1 at \$2,500. per same act, and act of August 4, 1854, 10 Laws pages 11, 201 & 558 - - - - -
 Payees of U.S. Coins & Bonds & Deposits, in addition to estimate & unexpended balance of former appropriation at the close of the current fiscal year - - - - -
 Incidental and contingent expenses, including postage, in addition to other available means - - - - -

\$30,000	20,000	77,000
500	.	500
5,000		10,000
		9,000
9,000		9,000
		10,000
12,000		
96,925	70,000	166,925
29,440.21		58,950.50

Assay Office, New York

Salary of Superintendent, per act of March 3, 1850; 10 laws page 474	\$3,500		
Assayer and Melter & Refiner, at \$2000 each per same act.	6,000		\$9,500
Assistant Assayer and Assistant Melter & Refiner, at \$2000 each, per same act.	4,000		6,000
Three clerks viz: 1 at \$2,500, one at \$2,200, two at \$1,500 each, one at \$1,000, and one at \$1,500, per same act.			4,000
Wages of Workmen in addition to available means	11,400		11,200
	24,000	\$12,000	45,000

Branch Office, at New Orleans.

Salary of Superintendent, per act of February 13, 1837; 5 Laws page 147	2,500		2,500
Treasurer per same act, and act of September 30, 1850; 9 Laws page 581	4,000		4,000
Assayer, Coiner and Melter & Refiner, at \$2000 each, per act of February 13, 1837; 5 Laws page 147	6,000		6,000
Three clerks per act of August 4 th 1854, and March 3 rd 1855; 10 Laws, pages 573 and 673	5,800		5,800
Wages of Workmen in addition to other available means	20,519.45	\$5,140.55	34,000
Incidental & contingent expenses, including postage, in addition to other available means	35,000.00		26,500

Branch Mount at Charlotte N.C.

For Salary of Superintendent per Act of February 13th 1837; 5 Laws p. 147
 Coiner & Assayer at \$1000 each per same Act
 Clerk per Act of March 3^d 1835; 4 Laws page 774
 Wages of Workmen
 Incidental contingent Expenses, including postage;

\$2000

3,000

1,000

2,500

1,100

2,000

3,000

1,000

2,600

Available funds
 sufficient

Branch Mount Dahlonega Georgia.

For Salary of Superintendent per Act of February 13. 1837; 5 Laws p. 147
 Coiner and Assayer at \$1500 each per same Act
 Clerk per Act of March 3^d 1835; 4 Laws page 774 Sec 2.
 Wages of Workmen.
 Incidental contingent Expenses including postage,
 addition to other available funds - - - - -

2,000

3,000

1,000

2,500

1,120

2,000

3,000

1,000

2,500

Available funds
 sufficient

Appropriations required for the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia for the Fiscal Year ending June 30. 1860.

1. Salaries of Officers & Employees

Director	\$2,500
Treasurer	2,500
Assayer	2,000
Melter & Refiner	2,000
Chief Coiner	2,000
Engraver	2,000
Assistant Assayer	1,500
Assistant Melter & Refiner	1,500
Three clerks at \$1,000, four at \$750	11,400
	\$27,900

2. Wages of Workmen and Apprentices less estimated deduction for expenses 70,000 70,000

3. Incidental and Contingent Expenses from which may be deducted a surplus of means estimated to be unexpended at the end of the current fiscal year of 20,000 30,000

4. For Specimens of Coins and Coins to be used at the Mint 300

5. For Transportation of Bullion from New York Assay Office to the Mint for Coinage 5,000

Total Appropriations required 100,200

Appropriations required for the 1st Branch Mint
at San Francisco, Cal.^a for the Fiscal Year
ending June 30, 1861.

1. Salaries of Officers & Clerks.

Superintendent	4,500
Treasurer	4,500
Assayer	2,000
Melter & Refiner	3,000
Coiner	3,000
Clerks: 1 at \$2,500 and 5 at 2,000	12,500

30,500

2. Wages of Workmen

166,928

From which may be deducted
a surplus of means estimated
to be unexpended at the end
of the current fiscal year of

70,000

96,928

3. Incidental and Contingent Expenses, 130,200.75

less estimated deductions

from deposits available for
the repairs of the 1st Branch Mint

100,700.54

29,490.21

Total Appropriation required

\$158,000

To John C. Ramey Esq
Pittsburg
Pa

Order for 2000 for
Mint

Oct 24. 1854.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Oct 24, 1857.

Dear Sir,

You will please manufacture and forward to the Mint at your earliest convenience, one shield cast iron roll, of the dimensions mentioned in the enclosed draft, turned and finished ready for use.

Please advise me how soon we may expect the roll, and what progress is being made with those ordered some time since for the Branch Mint, at San Francisco.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Brown
Director of the Mint.

John C. Rym. Esq.
Pittsburgh,
Pa.

Form 23A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Office of the Adams Ex. Co
320 Chesnut St
Philadelphia Dec 23. 1839

Hon J. Ross Snowden
Director of the U. S. Mint
Philada

Dear Sir

We have to acknowledge the receipt from you of a letter written by James Alexander dated at Melbourne Sep 3 1836, together with press copy of your reply thereto, bearing date Dec. 31 1836 Also of Mr Alexander's letter from Melbourne, dated June 16 1839, acknowledging the receipt of yours to him of 31 December 1836.

This correspondence relates to a remittance of one hundred ounces of gold dust made by Mr Alexander from Australia Oct 6. 1833, directed to the U. S. Mint. This gold arrived at Phila on the 30th of January 1834, was duly deposited at the Mint that day (as stated in your first letter to Mr A) and the proceeds (\$1963.49) still remain there undisturbed - no instructions having accompanied the remittance. - The Mint Receipt (No 314) being still in our hands awaiting his final order, but subject to a deduction of £30 Sterling with interest, an advance made by Mr. S. P. Haycock, one of Adams Ex. Co's Agents in Australia at the time and also of \$2. freight from New York to Phila.

The loss of the original Transportation (or Express) Receipt No 36, on which was indorsed the advance of £30. is unfortunately, but may be remedied by Mr A's surrender of the receipt given for it by Haycock, and which he (Mr A) still holds. You are aware of the indispensable necessity

of our requiring strict proof of ownership for our own
protection in such cases, particularly where claimants
dwell at such remote distances. We can always deal
far more satisfactorily with the parties in person for
various reasons; and we hope therefore, that Mr. Alex-
ander may yet fulfill the intention of coming here, hinted
at in his first letter to you. We anticipate no difficulty
whatsoever in bringing the matter to a prompt and satis-
factory conclusion should he so determine.

If however his affairs require his stay in Australia
and at the command of his friends there, we suggest,
that he transmit an order upon us for the proceeds
of his deposit, deducting the £30. advanced him
by Mr. Haycock, with interest from April 1834, at 6 per
cent per annum, and the \$2. charges already mentioned.
The order to us in favor of and indorsed by the American
Consul, who must certify to us Mr. Alexander's veritable
identity as of his (the Consul's) own knowledge of which
we presume he can satisfy him fully through his friends
Collie & Reid and perhaps others. Upon the receipt
of this order, accompanied by the "receipt" of Mr. Haycock
for the original Transp. Receipt No 36 of Adams
Hos. Australia Express dated Oct 6 1833 we will
draw the coin from the Rent and invest the balance
in a Bill of Exchange on Melbourne, and remit it
to him care of Collie & Reid, Sandhurst &c, or
transmit the amount to him by any other channel
he may direct. We merely suggest the Bill of Exch.
as in our judgment the most secure, economical, &
expedient method of putting him in possession
of his money. We are informed that Duncan,
Therman Hoar or on the Agency of the Union
Bank of London, and Ferguson & Graham on
the Agency of the Bk. of Br. North America, both
at Melbourne. The current rate of exchange is now

11 $\frac{1}{4}$ @ 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ % for bills at 30 d₃ equal to \$ 4.93
@ 4.95 for F. S. If Mr Alexander approves our
suggestion he must elect whose Bill we shall
emit, as the risk lies solely with him

Respectfully Yrs
J. P. Adams
C. P. McCallagh

S. H. VERPLANCK, President.
SAMUEL SOUTHWORTH, Cashier.

Bank of Geneva.

Geneva, N. Y., Oct 22 1860.

Ross Snowden Esq
Sir: Director

Your favor of ——— instant is
received, with ——— inclosure.

Respectfully Yours,

S. H. Verplanck

President.

I inclose Dft \$600 —

Please send me by Express

Quarters — \$300

Dimes — 100

Cents — 200 \$600#

From To

S. A. de Plank

President Bank

Albany

N.Y.

Draft for \$600

rec'd. - proceeds

returned in blue

Oct 29, 1860.

Oct 29. 60

Sir.

I duly received your letter
of the 22nd inst enclosing draft
on N.Y. for \$6000 and have
sent it to your address to day per
Atkins Express Co. that in
Silver and sent some as follows:

Shanties	\$300
Drums	100
Carts	200
	<u>\$600</u>

Very Respectfully,
Samuel Alfred Monahan,
Director of the Milit.

S. W. R. Clark Esq,
President of Bank of New York
N.Y.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
October 20. 1859.

Hon. Jas. Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Please find herewith copy of the reply of
W. L. G. Smith, Esq., Consul of the U. S., at Shanghai,
China, to the Circular of Apr. 1st '59, on the
Currency question.

I am, respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servant,
W. M. McKim
Comptroller.

Thos H. Mallon
Comptroller
Treasury Dept
Washington

Enclosing papers on
Coin & Currency question

Oct 21, 1889

To
The Sec Treasury

Enclosing vouchers
for money paid by
me on Barclay
Experimented inquiry
request draft for
the amt. -

Oct 20, 1854 -

Chief of the United States,
Philadelphia Oct 25. 1857.

Sir,

On the 27th of June last I paid to the Chief
Coiner, the sum of \$50.00, for gold and silver bullion,
furnished to the Commissionaries on the St. Paul & Northern Pacific
financial enquiry as per vouchers enclosed herewith.
I will thank you to cause a draft to be sent to
me for the amount.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
James A. B. & Co.
Chief of the Mint.

Wm. H. A. Lott.
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Oct 22, 59.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter
of 20th inst requesting 15 fine
gold and 75 fine Silver Medals
to be made for You, ~~Society~~^{Institute}. - As
there are two different dies
of your institute in our possession,
and you do not indicate
from which you wish the
Medals struck, I would
be glad to be advised
on this point, before giving
the order for their man-
ufacture.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director
John S. Selby Esq }
Act. Md Inst. }
Baltimore } W. H. R. Linderman

Imw To

John A. Selby Esq
Act Med Insr.
Balt.
Md

order for medals
enquire from which
die the medals
are to be struck

Oct 22. 1859

Hall of M. Insr.
Balt. Oct. 20. 1859
Hon J. Ross Snowden
Director of Mint
D. Sir

I am directed
by the Board of Managers of
this Institute to request you
will cause to be made for
us - Seventy five (75) Sil-
-ver, and Fifteen Gold
Medals as soon as circum-
-stances will permit.

Please send your bill of
amts. and it will be forward-
-ed at once -

With High Regard
Yours Obedt Servt
John A. Selby
Actuary

James Ross, Snowdown Esq
Dear Sir

We sent to United States
Mail at Philadelphia by Hunsager's Line
Propellers July 28th 1859 — Two Boxes each
Containing One Hundred Dollars in Cents
Making Two Hundred Dollars. We
this day send by same line Two Boxes
each containing One Hundred Dollars
Making in all Four Hundred Dollars
to be exchanged for the New Cents. We
would like to receive the amount in the
New Cents as soon as is customary for
you to make such exchanges —

Yours Respectfully
Wm Gay Brothers

N.Y. October 20th 1859 —

From Dr

W. M. Gary & Br
New York.

Cent certificate for
\$400 enclosed with
suggestion that they
be placed in hands
of an Express Co. for
collection

Oct 26. 1859—

Chas. of the Union Secy.
Phil^a. Oct 26. 1857.

Gentlemen.

Your letter of the 20th inst was duly
received.

I enclose certificates No 26 & 27 for
the old copper coin referred to in your letter. I would
suggest that you place the certificates in the hands
of ~~the~~ ^{any} ~~person~~ ^{person} who will ~~present~~ ^{present} them at
the Mint for payment and forward the proceeds
to you. The certificate dated August 2^d for \$100, will
be paid at once, and the other in its season or date.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Schenck
Director of the Mint

Wm. H. M. L. & Co.
New York

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Independence Oct 20/89
Jackson Co Missouri
To the President of United State
Mint at Philadelphia Pa
I Sir

I sent to your mint
by Express Oct 15 '1889, on Buckskin
Pay weighing $5^{\text{lb}} 3\frac{1}{2}\text{oz}$ (at the rate
of 12 ounces to pound) of Pike Peak gold
dust, for Mr Jas Rogers. He
wishes you to send him a dft
by Express for the amount when
you have assayed it. and as
soon as possible. And oblige

Yours obtent
Jno. C. Agnew agt
of United States Ex/Co

This deposit arrived on the 27th inst.
I didn't know at the time that it belonged
to the party above for they had no name & I did
not see the package. But they came on
Saturday to draw the money when I

I saw the package & saw the unit
called for was the same.

The deposit is short the letter
& package called for 5 lbs & $3\frac{1}{2}\%$
at 12 O'z to the pound it

weighs only 56.22 ounces

but if estimated at ¹⁰⁰Over-
dupois ounces it amounts
to $56\frac{22}{100}$ ounces their weight
would ¹⁰⁰be $63\frac{1}{2}\%$ ounces

I loaned the letter to J. Morrell
who made the deposit.

H. R. Linderman, H. S. Co,

Im J
John C A Suen apt

Independence

Missouri

Imaging Dept

Oct 31, 1859.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
October 17th 1859

James H. Watton Esq
Treas U States Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

Your Ordinary
Expense account for the 3^d quarter 1859
has been received

Very Respectfully
J. L. Smith
Auditor

First Avenue
Washington
Oct. 17/59

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

October 18th 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$ 32,144.39 in gold coins in payment for
invoice No 28.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. E. Coe
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Oct. 18/59

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Oct. 19th 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$17,000. in Silver dollars in ac of invoice
N^o 25.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. C. W.

Treasurer

J. H. Watson Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Miscellaneous

Treas. assay off

N. York

Oct. 19/59

1859

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
October 19th 1859

James H. Matton Esqr
Treas US Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Enclosed herewith you
will find voucher No 99 (J. E. Mitchell)
Petty Expenses, which is returned to you for
Explanation of the first item viz
To 1 Mc Grindstone 162. D. ————— \$2.62

Your early attention is requested

Very Respectfully
Wmms
Auditor

First Auditor

Washington

Oct. 19/59

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
October 20th 1839

James H. Walton Esq
Treas US Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Enclosed herewith,

you will find Vouchers Nos 192 & 202 (contingent Expenses. In the name of Jacob Plucker, for Postage Stamps, and postages paid at Office, returned in order that you may furnish the receipt, of the Post Master, Mr. Plucker, being employed as a Messenger, in the Mint, it is to be presumed that the money for the purchase of stamps &c, is advanced to him, from the Ordinary fund, and in this event, it would be an easy matter, to procure the receipt of the PM, or his Deputy, at the time the stamps are purchased, or the postages paid

(over)

Accounts payable out of the Ordinary Expenses Fund, should not be kept with any one connected with the Mint, except the Treasurer.

From the face of Voucher No 202 it would appear that an account has been kept with Jacob Plucker "For postages paid at Office 3 months."

In future when stamps are purchased or postages paid you are requested to furnish the receipt of the Post Master, or his authorized Deputy. Your early attention to the above is respectfully solicited.

Very Respectfully
J. L. Smith
Auditor

First Auditor

Washington

Oct. 20/59

Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
October 16. 1859,

Gen. Rafe Snowden, Esq.,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:-

I herewith respectfully enclose copies
of two replies to the Circular of April
1st 1859, on the Currency question, from
the U. S. Consulates at Callao & Mazatlan.

Very respectfully

Yours obt. Servant.

Wm. Hemphill Jones
Acting Comptroller.

From
Hon W. Medill

Comptroller

Treasury

Washington

Inclosing reports

Com's Hurren

Oct 19. 1839

United States Assay Office,

New York, - Oct. 17, 1859.

Sir,

I transmit herewith
a Statement of the business
of this Office for the
third quarter, - ending on
the 30th ultimo.

Very respectfully,

Your obs. servt.,

S. F. Buttenworth,

Supt.

by Geo. F. Dunning.

Hon. J. R. Seward,
Director of the Mint. }

Wm J. Putnam
Supr U. S. Assay Off
N.Y.

In Statement
Enclosed

Oct 19, 1859

London Oct. 17/59

Y
Messrs U. S. Mint
in Sir

Enclosed I
send you a Certificate
for one hundred & ninety
dollar in cents

Please send to Miller,
& Luther Washington & Co. N.Y.
New York. \$100. and to J. H.
Lyons & Brother 299. Washington
St. New York. \$90.

Please put the in \$5.00
packages and oblige yours

Very respectfully

Matthew Stoney

Anna Stewart

Brenton

Oct 17/59

{ SNOWDEN LETTE - NOV. 7-1859
{ SPECIMEN HALF DOLLARS OF 1859 IN COPPER

OCT 31, 1859

Nov. 7th 59.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your favor of the 28th. The button you enclose is not very interesting, it is brass gilt, and originally bore another stamp, as the word "Latent" may be seen beneath.

I do not hope the piece you ask for in exchange, and I fear to offer any other because you let me know it by letter and paid a large price for it. I therefore enclose it to you.

I wish to be glad to receive the change of the piece. No promise to send
me.

Yours very respectfully,
James O. S. Sargent,

James O. S. Sargent,
Director of the Mint.

Benjamin Haines Esq
Elizabeth,

New Jersey,

Elizabeth A. D. 25th 1859

Hon. J. R. Snowden.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed I send
the "Button"; and also the card
which accompanied it. Although
the card calls it a Gold Button
I do not think it is gold. Still
I prize it very highly, and find
a large price for it. If you
wish it, and can send me
a suitable return for it, I should
be happy to see it among the
"Washington" "Mementos". What
I particularly am in want of
are the half cents I named in
my last, and dollars of 1828
1839. 1851 & 1852. - I am in want
of these. But if you could not

send these, please state
what you have to offer.,
~~And~~ if you can ^{name} offer what I
am much in want of, I
will be happy to see the price
in your collection. I have a
few pieces that I noticed on
a card, that you want in
the Mint Collection. In my
next. I will describe them.
I am, in haste

Respectfully Yours

Oliver Haines

Imm To
Benjamin
Elisabeth
N.J.

Washington
Meade

"Button"

Nov 7, 1859.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank _____

Date of Report _____

2-16156

Elizabeth Oct 25th 1839

Hon. J. R. Snowden.

Dear Sir,

I enclose a rubbing of a silver medal of a Washington Benevolent Soc.
Also, a copper Medalet.
I can procure from a Collection in New York, a Gold or Gilt Button with the head of Washington upon it. It has the head of Washington upon it with nothing else. It was presented to a public institution about 20 years ago. It is struck from the die, from which was struck the set of gold buttons given to Lafayette. I believe this button is in gold. I called

upon you when in Phil.^a
but you were absent at the
time. Have you to spare the
pattern half cents of 1831.
1836. 40 to 49 & 52? Hoping
that you have succeeded
in the noble work of preserving
all the memorials of Wash-
ington, that can be found.
I remain

Respt Yours

Oliver Haines.

Dear Sir

Benjamin

Elizabeth

New Jersey

Washington, D.C.

Oct 27. 1859-

Nov. 25 59.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of
the 21st inst & now enclosing you the
same experimental leaf dollar of 1859
in return.

I do not know what to offer you
for the Washington button, but if you
choose to send it to me again I will
endeavor to send you some acceptable
piece or pieces in return.

I would be glad to obtain from you
the small Washington button. Answer
"How long the tyrant ruled so long?"
Also, if you can spare me another of the
Abraham's token of gold I am obliged to you
and make some suitable return to
you.

Very respectfully
Yours at all times,
Benjamin Haines
Waltham, Mass. James R. Thompson
Director of the Mint.

October 27. 59.

Dear Sir,

I have received your favor
of the 25th inst.

I hope the memorials
of Washington - the rubbings of
which you enclose, namely,
the Washington Brevet. So. Medal,
and the Washington Medallion
rev. "Republican".

I am very glad to obtain
the Button, head of Washington,
and if you find it to me I
will endeavor to give some-
thing by way of an honorary
exchange.

In response to your inquiry
I have to state that I have no
halberd half cents of the name you
name, on record of any date.
Very truly
Yours
J. B. Snowden.

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report
2-16156

To
The Sec Treasury

Change in the device
on the half dollar
recommended

Oct 25, 1889

Minist of the United States.

Philad^a. Oct 25, 1859.

Sir,

For the purpose of improving the silver coinage I have caused several new dies to be prepared, from which were struck, the few specimens I placed in your hands during my recent visit to the capitol.

I now am prepared to recommend the adoption of the one which I personally expressed a preference for during my interview with you. It may be described as follows:

On the obverse, an ideal head of Liberty, crowned with oak, and cotton, legend, United States of America, and the word Liberty on the ribbon, and the date of the piece beneath. The reverse, a wreath composed of Cotton, tobacco leaves, Sugar cane, Indian corn, and wheat, with oak leaves, the productions of the different sections of our country. Within the wreath the inscription Half Dollar. I may state that the reverse of the coin is secondary to the obverse and should be so regulated as to admit of a fair and full striking up of the device on the main disk. The wreath greatly facilitates the full expression of the head.

present silver coins are difficult to bring up, not only because of the full figure of liberty, but because the eagle occupies the field immediately opposite to it.

Again. The eagle properly and particularly belongs to the gold coinage. - They are even named for it. - the "eagle, double eagle, half eagle, quarter eagle." These are the legal titles, and it is not proposed to alter the gold coinage. But to place the same device on the silver coins seems to be a ~~side issue~~ ^{analogous} although sanctioned by long usage.

The silver coin has become a subsidiary coin, a mere matter of change, not being a legal tender beyond a limited amount; this consideration renders it less important to cover it with all the national emblems. Gold is the effective currency, and on that the eagle is stamped.

For a number of years past the eagle has been omitted on the dime and the half dime, and a plain wreath substituted. The adoption of the device now recommended will enable us to introduce a uniformity into the silver coins, as the same head and wreath on the specimen half dollar is well adapted to the quarter dollar, and the dime and half dime.

I must beg your early attention to this communication in view of the fact that we must immediately commence the preparation of the working dies for the next year for

Mint and its branches.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,

Your faithful servant,
Samuel R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb,

Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859/OCTOBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / NOVEMBER

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO., 116 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO.'S GREAT Eastern, Western & Southern Express.

Love

Philadelphia, Nov 15 1859

Received of *Director of U. S. Mint*
Six Bags and said to contain *one thousand - Eight*
hundred dollars in Silver Coin & Two hundred
dollars in cents

MARKED

State Bank of Wisconsin
Milwaukee,
Wis

To be forwarded as addressed: THE EXPRESS COMPANY not to be held responsible for any loss or damage arising from fire, railroad accidents, ocean or river navigation, etc., UNLESS SPECIALLY INSURED BY THEM, AND SO SPECIFIED IN THIS RECEIPT

Freight, *on the cents paid by the Mint*

Insurance, _____

FOR THE PROPRIETORS,

Geo C. Thompson

GUSTAVUS V. TOWN, PRINTER, NO. 4 HUDSON'S ALLEY.

Apr 2nd 29

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you will find Adams
Express receipt for \$100. in the name of Adams
which will serve as a receipt for the same
of

Very respectfully
Yours

James C. McLean
Superintendent

W. A. Brown

Cashier State Bank

St. Louis, Mo.



State Bank of Wisconsin.

John G. Inbusch, Pres.
M. S. Scott, Cash.

Milwaukee, 3 Nov 1859

Ross Loomis Esq

Director M. S. Scott

Philadelphia Penn I have received your favor
and Enclose for collection

Enclose My check on Duncan & Co of 2000.
for which I send this Bank by Express
Coin as follows

\$1000. quarters

\$400. Halves

\$200. Dimes

\$200. Hf Dimes

\$200. Pennies

Respectfully

M. S. Scott

Draft deposited
by Director for
collection
Inward Proceeds
on Saturday

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Nov 12, 59,

Sir,
I have received your letter of the
7th inst.

It is our usual rule not to
receive deposits of less value than \$100.00
but if the value approximates that
sum it is received. Our com-
pound the price you speak of direct
to the Mint by express or otherwise;
we usually pay the value of the
deposit the next day after it is
received & never later than the second
day, except in rare instances when,
from the character of the currency, the
pay of it becomes more difficult and
therefore less speedy.

Very respectfully

Yours truly,

James R. Alexander
Director of the Mint

Mr. A. Hallow
Des Moines
Iowa.

Banking House of B. F. Allen.

Des Moines, Iowa, Nov 7 1859

Supr W S Mint
Phil,

Dear Sir

We are daily offered
Gold dust from Pike's Peak in small
quantities — Can we send it to the
Mint direct and get returns for
the same — and about how long it is it
from the time of its receipt at the mint
will it be before we can get the proceeds
Yours cordly reply will

gratly oblige

Yours Respectfully
B. F. Allen

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Nov. 14th 59.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of 11th inst. inquiring
as to the transmission of the Silver Coins desired by you.
I have to state that your a/c. was collected by wire on 10th
inst., and the coins for proceeds, handed to Adams Express Co.
on that day, to be forwarded. I presume that you will
have received them before this letter reaches you.

Respectfully Yours,

Samuel Cook Sherman,
Director of the Mint.

J. W. Moore, Esq.,
Cashier Commercial Bk.
Racine, Wis.

COMMERCIAL BANK,

Racine, Wis. Nov 11th 1859

James R. Shonken Esq
Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

On the 31st of October
I remitted you \$1000 New York for \$500. and
requested you to forward

\$300 Quarters

\$100 Dimes

\$100 Half Dimes

We hear nothing from you. Has the
\$1000 been received by you?

Yours Truly

J. W. Moody

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Nov. 14. 59.

My dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 12th inst asking for six pounds of Standard Silver to be used for photographic purposes. It occurs to me to state that what you desired is fine silver, such as I furnished to you on a former occasion. I therefore ~~ought~~ to find it until I hear from you.

I am glad to learn that you think your note has also to promote the claim with one of Proctor's Rites. It will be an interesting object to place in the Mint Cabinet.

I am very respectfully
and truly yours,

James R. Chandler,
Maj. Gen. H. Bowman, Director of the Mint,
Exp. & Charge, Dec 3 1859

Office United States Treasury Extension,
Washington, Nov 12th 1859.

J Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Dear Sir

Will you please send me by
express six lbs standard silver to be used for
photographic purposes, send bill also and on
receipt thereof I will send you a check for the
amount

Yours Respectfully & Truly

A. H. Brown and
Snr in Crg T. &

P. S. I have made enquiry in regard to "Browns Pikes"
and learn that they are all at Harpers Ferry with
the exception of six that have been distributed about
here, I am endeavouring and think I shall
be able to get you one for the Mint

A. H. B

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Waterbury Conn Nov 11th 1859

Mr. James Ross Snowden Director
Mint of the United States

Sir

Yours of the 7th inst.
came duly to hand and we have made enquires
of the Scovill Manufacturing Co about the button referred to.
They have searched over their old samples to find
one but as yet have not been able to — neither can
they find the die with which they were made.
They think the die must have been altered for
some other style of button — If they succeed
in finding any of the buttons we will cheerfully
send them to you —

We remain with much respect

Yours Truly
Blake & Johnson.

O. W. Stevens Secy.

From

Blake & Johnson.
Waterbury Conn.

Nov. 14. th/69

Nov. 11. 59.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your note of yesterday in reference to the Washington ("8 Presidents") Medal received by me in September last from Mr. Drury, of your City, and which you state had been purchased by you of Mr. D., I have to state, that I forwarded to Mr. Drury on the 7th inst. what I regarded as an honorable exchange for the Medal referred to. Having received the Medal directly from Mr. Drury, it seemed proper to me to send him the exchange.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servant:

Samuel R. Knapp
Director of the Mint.

A. B. Sage, Esq:

No. 24 Division St.

J. Rufus Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir:

I should
be pleased to hear from you—
in reference to the Washington
Eight President medal—bring-
ing to me—now in your
possession—

Yours Truly

A B Sargent

N.Y. Nov 10. 59.

From & to / A. B. Sage.
New York.

11 Nov. '39.

Washington Medal.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Nov 11.th 55.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your recent letter asking for the employment of Miss Fisher at the Mint I have to state that there are no vacancies in the department of the Mint in which ladies are employed. The number now employed are quite sufficient for the operations of the Mint.

I am very respectfully

Yours ob^l servant,

James R. Chomley

R. F. Brown Esq Director of the Mint
Mint Office, Phila

Custom House, Philadelphia,

Naval Office, Nov 9 1859

Dear Sir

At the solicitation of several prominent Democrats of Reading Pa I addressed You some time since to ascertain whether there was any possibility of procuring employment for a young lady formerly from that place, but now a resident of this city. She is but recently from school - aged about 17, and quite intelligent. Her family is very respectable, but reduced in circumstances compelling her therefore to seek some employment. She is very desirous to obtain a place in the Mint. Her name Miss Fisher. You will much oblige me by answering this at your earliest convenience so as to enable me to forward your reply to the gentlemen referred to. I should have called on you personally but for my official duties preventing during business hours.

Col. Jas R. Snowden }
Director of Mint

Very respectfully
R. F. Brown

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Nov. 16th 59.

Dear Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt
of your letter of the 11th inst I have to
state that the article you sent to me
is micaceous sandstone, and is of
no value whatever.

I am, very respectfully,
Yours obt. servant,
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Mr. B. A. Simpson

Clintonville.

Wenango Co., Pa.

of your investigation there's quite
an excite here and it will dep
end on your decision whether
they will go on to dig the oar
It has been found in veins
from 4 inches till 3 feet
this that I send you a sample of
is between 4 & 5 inches thick
Write soon yours with respect

R C Simpson
Clintonville Venango
County
Pennsylvania

From No 1 R. A. Simpson.

Nov 16/59.

David Stone sent for Asbury.

Clintonville Nov 16th 1859
Mr James R. Snowden. Being
informed that you are cashier
and that you formerly resided
in Venango Co Pa I take the
liberty to send you a sample
of Ore which is pronounced
silver ore by some others say
it ant. Whatever it is there is
abundance in this Co It was
discovered at the abigany River
a few Rods up from where west
sandy creek emptys into the River
Since the first discovery it has
been found up to oil creek
down to scrubgrass Creek West
to the graded road along the banks
of sandy creek Has been found
on Bulien run & you will please
analyze it and send me the
result

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

No. 32.

Memorandum of *Silver* Bullion transmitted to the U. S. MINT for Coinage, pursuant to Act of March, 1855, by JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

November 9th 1859

9 BOXES, No.

1 @ 9

BARS. 93

Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.	Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.	Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.
Chilian C ⁶⁸ 9	8		1598	70 903						Chilian C ⁶⁵ 8	8		1600	25 903
Chilian C	90	9	1597	00 403						"	96	9	1600	45 903
"	91	9	1597	20 903						"	97	8	1594	45 903
"	92	9	1596	05 903						"	98	9	1599	65 903
"	93	8	1598	15 902½						"	99	8	1596	10 902½
"	94	4	796	25 903						"	700	4	799	40 902½
			47 878335										46 879030	
													47 878335	
													93 1757365	

17630.01 ounces Standard @ \$1.16 $\frac{1}{16}$ pr. oz. = \$20514.92
 Deduct for Coinage 102.57
 Net Value, \$20,412.35

No. 32

November 15th 1859

Silver Bars

\$ 20.412.35

in dollars

United States Mint

Philadelphia Nov. 10. 1859

Sir

I have respectfully to report - that, in accordance with your instructions, I have, in connection with Col. Snowden the Director, made such examination and inquiry into the business and operations of the U. S. Mint with a view to reduce the expenses of the establishment, if practicable, and without detriment to the public interests.

The present number of persons employed is Two Hundred and Twenty Seven: fifty five of whom are females.

The Officers and Clerks attached to the Institution are One Director and two Clerks. One Treasurer and Five Clerks, One Melter and Refiner and one Assistant, One Chief Coiner and one Assistant, one Assayer and one Assistant & one Engraver - in all Seventeen.

My limited knowledge of the scientific

operations of the Mint renders it impossible for me to say, with any degree of certainty, whether the number of officers and employes exceeds the requirements of the business performed, otherwise than by a comparison of the present business and number of employes, with those of previous years.

It appears, by the Reports of the Director, that the business operations of the Mint, since the establishment of the Assay Office at New York, have fallen off considerably, while the number of employes and the amount of their annual compensations continue with but trifling diminution. In other matters of expenses the Director has made very considerable reductions, and contemplates ere long to make such others as will, probably, bring the entire annual expenses of the Institution within its receipts; and thus make it a self sustaining Institution.

For the reasons above assigned, I do

Treasury Department,
November 16. 1859.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, a copy of a letter, under date of the 10th instant, from J. B. Guthrie, Esq., Special Agent, in relation to the expediency of diminishing, as far as practicable, the expenses of the U. S. Mint.

Having full confidence in your disposition to further the views of the department in respect to the diminishing of the expenses of the Mint, I do not deem it necessary to associate with you, any person to ascertain its expediency or practicability, but request that you will take the subject into consideration, and make such suggestions for reducing the number of employees and the expenses of the establishment as may be consistent with economy and the public interests.

I am, Very Respy,

Wm. B. Cobb

Secretary of the Treasury

J. Ross Snowden Esq.,

Director of the Mint,

Philadelphia Pa

From To
The Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City

Nov 17. 1859

Enclosing a copy of a communication from L. B. Guthrie Esq. S. A. T. D. on subject of reduction of expenses of the Mint

not feel competent to express an opinion
as to the extent to which a reduction of
the present force could be safely made.
I do not hesitate, however, to say that,
in my opinion, a thorough examination
into the business and operations of the
Mint, by an experienced and competent
person in connexion with the Director,
with whose views of economy I am fa-
vorably impressed, would result in a
considerable reduction of employes,
and expenses of the Institution.

Very respectfully

Comd obd. Servt

Signed J. B. Guthrie

Sp. Asst. T. D.

Hon. Howell Cobb
Secy of Treasury
Washington

Nov 18. 89.

Sir,

I have received your favor of the 16th inst, enclosing a copy of a letter to you from Mr. J. B. Furthner, a Member of the Department respecting the expenses of the Agent.

I will, in accordance with your directions, continue my inquiries and investigations as to how far the expenses of the Agent may be reduced. I am very desirous of co-operating with the Department in its service upon this subject.

The comparison in the number of employees between the present and former years was stated by Mr. Furthner, is calculated to give an erroneous impression. The amount of business performed is not to be judged of by the value of the notes accepted, by their weight, and the amount of handling they are subjected to. The greatest weight of the business notes was brought up in former years but now

3. *Alnus incana* (DuRoi) Koch.

2 copies 1855

Cont. nothing
 Cont. nothing

long, & yellow leaves all over

franchise of our franchise with equal
benefit. The rule is that with
one fourth more now in the melting
and refining department is 1859 as
compared with 1855 we have
expended twice the amount
of money. It is not necessary to me
to make this point to Mr. Guthrie
during the discussion of the subject. As
my nationality and the statistics of
value of the average products in
the various departments, in providing the
ground of improvement.

I have, as stated by Mr. Guthrie, more
or less the restriction in the extension
of the plant; and further restriction will
be made as they may be found to be
justified, and consistent with the further
service of the inspection of the custom
house, as suggested in a recent letter.

Yours faithfully,
J. H. Thompson

Wm. H. Thompson
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

Nov. 11th 59.

Sir:

In reply to your note of 8th inst. inquiring as to sale of the old u.s. Copper Coins, I have to state, that these coins are not sold by the Mint, the object of the law authorizing their receipt at the Mint for Cents of the new issue, being to withdraw them from circulation. As received, these coins are melted up into Copper Ingots which are from time to time sold to the highest bidder. I have directed your name to be added to the list of those who make bids for these ingots. When the Mint has a quantity for sale, you will be informed by Circular and any offer you may feel disposed to make at so much per pound, will be received and considered with the others.

Very respectfully,
Chas. A. B. Serv.

James R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Mr. Wm. R. Ruff
Frankford W. Thompson Esq.
Philadelphia

Gentlemen

Wm^d "Nov 8/55

At what per
cent would you sell
the old copper pennies
in exchange for gold
or Silver coin. please
inform me by note
and oblige Yours

Humble Servant

Wm R. Reiff
Frankford Road &
Thompson St
Phila.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

November 9. 1859

Sir

I herewith inclose receipt and invoice of nine boxes Silver Bullion of the net value of \$20,412.35 in payment for which please remit Silver dollars

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

J W Elko
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

New York

Nov. 9/59

ORIGINAL.

No. *32*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Five boxes, containing
Silver Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *20412.35*)

Twenty thousands, four
hundred & thirty — *35* Dollars,
100

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and~~ delivery to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

Nov 9 185 *9*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

R. B. Avery

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Nov. 7.th 59.

Gentlemen:

I notice that a brog gilt button with a head of Washington on it was made by L. H. Scovill, button manufacturers of your place. It purports to be similar to the gold buttons presented to Gen. La Fayette while on his last visit to this Country. I am collecting a Washington Cabinet for the Mint; and will be much obliged if you will procure me one or more of the buttons above described.

I am with great respects,

Yours very truly

Samuel R. Johnson

Mrs. Pease & Johnson, Directors of the Mint.

Watbury
Connecticut.

For
Flake & Johnson
Waterbury
Conn

Washington Medal

imitation of Lafayette
gold Button

Nov 7, 1889-

1881. Feb

Philip H. H. H. H.

Philip H. H. H. H.

Philip H. H. H. H.

Philip H. H. H. H.

60.450.

Heavy Department

Nov 9th 1859

Sir

Herewith please find enclosed a letter from James
M. Smith Esq of Alexandria of this date, stating that
three bags of gold bearing quarts had been sent to the
Mint from that city by the Steamer J. M. Smith

If the desires expressed in Mr Smith's letter in
regard to the contents of these bags can with propriety
and convenience be complied with, I will thank you
to do so

Yours respectfully
Zachariah

Novell Cobb
Secretary of the Heavy

James K. Gordon Esq
Director of the Mint
Philad

From / Sec. of Treasury.

10 Nov. 1839.

Gold bearing Quartz sent to Mint
for Analysis.

Letter from Mr. Smith (Alexandria,
Virginia) enclosed.

Director's report of the
results of Examination
of above Specimens
dated Dec 8, 1839.
Enclosed herein

Dec 8, 1839

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 7. Dec. 1859.

Dear Sir

I have just completed my examination of the three specimens of Gold-ore, which the Dept^t requested to have examined for gold. I have not found gold in Nos 2 & 1, and the 3^d contains only traces of gold, if any. I cannot understand how they could have found gold in such quantity, as stated in the letters of the parties in Virginia, if these specimens, which I received, be the same as those transmitted to the Smithsonian Institution.

Very truly yours
J. A. C. Booth

J. R. Snowden, Esq.
Director U. S. Mint

copy

Sentinel Office Alexandria Va.
Nov. 9/1859

To the Hon Howell Cobb
Sec. Tr.

Dear Sir

By your favor, the Editor of the Va. Sentinel and a number of friends in Prince William Co. Virginia desire to have some Gold Bearing Quartz assayed at the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia and to obtain certificates of the Director or Superintendent as to its quality. This plan has been adopted to measure its analysis, for the benefit of the parties in Prince William who design getting up a Joint Stock Company, the success of which will very much depend upon the high authority, whose aid they now seek.

It will be necessary for me to enter with some detail as to what is needed, as perhaps this note may be sent as an accompaniment to the directions which we desire you to give in relation to the matter at the Mint.

I would state, that on last evening the 8 Inst. three separate parcels of quartz put in small bags were started for Philada. by the steam steamer J. R. Smith from Alexandria. The bags were marked 1, 2 & 3 and directed to the Mint, from the "Gold Ridge Mines".

The 1st or 2nd of these, I cannot now remember, has been fairly assayed by Dr. Craig of Washington City, Smithsonian Institute, and also by Mr. Saltsynple of Baltimore, both chemists of high reputation, and they pronounced quite productive, about "five dollars to the hundred pounds of Quartz". The manual certificate of Dr. Craig has been obtained, but it is necessary for a better confidence in the results of the operation, to have the certificate of the Mint, as before intimated. The request now is to be explicit, the cer-

certificates be furnished after assay, for each of the three parcels, as to the amount proportionate in the hundred pounds of Quartz. I would state farther, that No. 3 was taken from a ridge some distance from the first discovery, and said to be indicative of the presence of Gold by some California miners; and the search about by washing exhibited some small evidences of the presence of Gold. This quartz has not heretofore been tested, but is submitted to the analysis of the Mint as to its quality so as to justify any farther research at the point where it was obtained. The three parcels were taken from ridges several hundred yards apart, but apparently connected with the same vein, though the veins appear above or rather near the surface at these points only the interiors being ravines which have been filled in part by earth washed from higher points of land.

You will please direct, that the certificates be sent as early as practicable to my address at Alexandria Va. as the parties will await the result, and it is important that it be known early. Will you request, that the certificates be given as of quartz rock obtained from the "Gold Ridge Mines of Lebbens Excel in Prince Wm Co. Va." to the truth of which I feel fully authorized to qualify. Your kind attention at once will greatly oblige me and the parties interested.

With high regard I remain
Yours very respectfully
James H. Smith

Nov. 7. 1859.

Dear Sir,

I have just off my annual report on the operations of the Mint, and have a little leisure to reply to your recent favour. And first I may say in response to the Report that I speak my recommendation on the establishment of a medal office to be established copies of the national medals. The class of which are now lying idle in the Mint. If this measure is adopted I will at an early period forward you with all the required and I send her some other evidence the business of the Knight, Washington the 11th day.

I thank you for the photograph copy of the James M. Adams; and the handwriting of 1859. In this an exchange for the I send you enclosed, the three remaining specimens left dollars of 1859 of Copper. (I think I sent you the "Half Dollar" in my former letter) and the "Half Dollar" in Silver. Which I hope may

be satisfactory to you.

I have a copy of the Constitution of
which you sent me a cutting; but I
am glad to get the one you sent of
can conveniently spare it.

I am, with much respect,

Yours very truly
James R. Chandler

C. J. Bucknole Esq

New York.

New-York, Oct. 31st 1859.

Dear Sir.

Yours of Sept. 29. came duly to hand. I have been so unwell that I have not been able to reply to you before. You will please accept my thanks for the pattern $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollar in copper which you were kind enough to enclose to me. I wish you would let me know what pieces in the list I sent you, you want. I will endeavor to get duplicates, of such as I can, and if you desire copies made from those I cannot get duplicates of, I will see what I can do for you in that way. From the list of duplicates, I send you, in accordance with your request the following which you lack,

1. The same medal - copy - ~~the~~
2. Washington, rev. Genl. 1789. - tin. -

There was one marked in my list of duplicates which you must, I think, have overlooked, as it is a rare one & one which I do not think you have. I send you a rubbing of it enclosed. If you wish me to reserve it for you, I will do so. I received that and the one above marked 2. after I wrote to you last. I mentioned to you that I expected to get them.

I have sold my cabinet, and for a time will be in disorder. My pieces are all packed up, and it will be some trouble to find any pieces at present. I intend getting a new and better case, when I shall have my things arranged to my satisfaction. The Wash 1792 laureates one is packed among my other coins. I shall get it out by 1st of Nov. & have it ready for you. I gave up hearing from you, & packed it with the rest.

Now, I have an offer to make to you, which appears to me you will favor. I will let you have the Wash. 1792 with the same, and tin medals, & throw in likewise the medal of which I send you a rubbing, for 12 of the medals of the War of 1812 which are not in my collection - struck in Copper. Now the medals I have of that series I have bought for \$3 a piece, so the 12 would at that rate be \$36. I can sell the Wash 1792 ^{alone} for \$50 cash, if I choose - I have 2 persons who have been urging me to let them have it,

I do not wish to sell it. I do not wish to exchange it for coins. Such historical medals as those for the war of 1812 would be the only temptation to me. Society medals & such like are of inferior interest & hence of less use to me.

Should you decline the exchange on such terms, I will not take trouble to hunt it out. The others you can send me in exchange what you like. If you desire the one of which I send a rubbing, please let me know soon & I will send it on.

There is to be a sale here, commencing tomorrow of some coins & medals. In the lot is a medal of Washington which I do not think you have. It has no reverse. The head is copied from the Washington medal of the French numismatic series. I shall bid on it for you to what I consider a fair price, & hope I may be able to get it. It is contained in the list sent you, as you will see by referring to it.

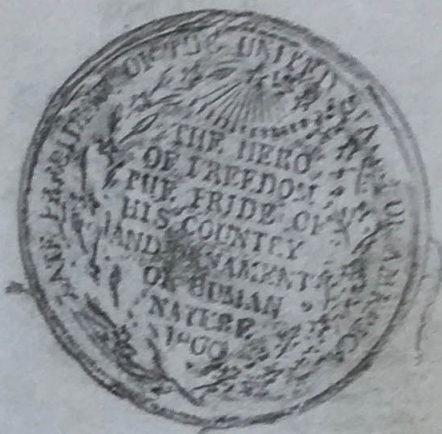
Hoping this may find you in good health

I remain

Very Truly
Yours,

C. J. Bushnell.

P.S. Should you decide upon letting me have the medals above, I should prefer that the business should be ~~between~~ ^{arranged} to us only. I have a decided ^{repugnance} to having collectors know my private arrangements. I hope you will oblige me in this matter. If you decide favorably on my offer, for the 12 medals 1812 I will at once ~~send~~ pack my collection & set the 12 Washington & send it at once.



1900. 1900

Dear Sir

C. J. Burdett

New York

Washington Medical

Nov 7. 1859

Treasury of the United States,

Nov. 5 1859.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive _____ Treasury Draft payable to your order. Please date and sign the accompanying receipt, and return it to this office by the first mail; and cause the draft to be presented for payment without delay.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

S. CASEY,

Treasurer of the United States.

James Ross Snowden

Director H.C.

N. B.—The payee of a Treasury draft, when he endorses it, or, presenting it for payment, receipts it, should write his name thereon as it is written in the draft or in the endorsement that assigns it to him, taking care to AFFIX his official or representative style or title, if it be written in the draft or in said endorsement. An endorsement by a MARK should be attested by two subscribing witnesses; if by a substitute, it must be accompanied by evidence of substitution, except in the case of president and cashier of a bank or other institution.

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Yours faithfully,
Wm. M. A. S.

Nov. 7, 1859

ELIHC. HIFFORD, President
A. R. HOLMES, Cashier.

The Farmers' Bank of Hudson.

Capital, \$300,000.

Hudson, N. Y. Nov 3 1859

To the Treasurer of the, Esquire, Cashier.
W. S. Smith Phila

Sir:

Your favor of

instant, is received with enclosures.

Respectfully Yours,

A. R. Holmes Cashier.

I enclose for collection

Please send me ^{by Express} the value of the
indorsed draft on Am & P. M. \$1000—
in half and quarter dollars, equal
amounts,

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

November 5th 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$49,120.23 in Gold and Silver Coins
in payment of invoices No 30 & 31.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U S Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Geo
Treasurer

Great. May Off

N. York

Nov. 5/59

Nov 5/59.

J J Lisco Esq

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Nov. 5.th 59.

Sir,

I beg to call your attention to
my letter of the 25th ult^o, and to express
the hope that I shall have your
early approval of the designs I have
recommended for the Silver Coins.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,

Your faithful servant,
James R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Mrs. Marshall Cobb,
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

To Sec Treasury

Requesting reply
to my letter of the
25th ult.

Nov 6. 1839.

Post Office, Boston, Mass.

Boston Nov. 24th 1859

Sir

About a week ago
I mailed to your address a "Washington
& Independence" I much wish to
inquire whether the same was received

J. Ross Snowden Esq,
Director of Mint.
Phil.
P

Very Respectfully
Henry S. Adams

Wm To

Henry S. Adams

Post Office

Boston

Mass

Washington Medals

"Unity States"

Mar 7, 1889.

Nov 7. 59.

Dear Sir,

I have received notice of the
London Convention of 1859 "Early Meeting"
it will be necessary for me to return
to the Convention to the U.S. I have with
me a letter from you, with my thanks
for your kind offer.

I have been so much occupied lately
that I omitted to respond to your letter.
And now I am, by your favor of the 4th inst,
put in remembrance of my obligations,
I hope you will excuse the delay.

Very truly,
Yours all the time,

James P. Randolph,

Member of the Association, Secretary of the Union.

To the effect.

Wm. P.

Shop.

Treasury Department
Mar 3^o 1854

Si

I herewith enclose an application endorsed by the Hon T. Florence for specimens of coins of particular dates. Such applications to this Department are not unusual.

I will be obliged if you will report to me the character of the answer which should be made to this and similar requests.

Very respectfully
Zachariah

Wm. Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury

J. R. Landon Esq

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia

John D.

See Treasury

Letter, addressed
to the Department
for the U. S. Com. -
Character of answer
to the document

Nov 5, 1887.

Nov 3. 59.

I have received your favor of the 3rd inst. enclosing the application of Mr E. G. Wood (Constant) of this city for Shuman silver dollars of 1804, 1858 & 1859.

As to the application, as well as others of similar character it may be replied that the Mint only supplies to applicants specimens pieces of the Coins of the present year.

As for Shuman of previous years, as none of them other States, have been used as an honorable exchange for other new coin and Washington Silver for the Mint Cabinet. Thus Shuman of previous years are exhausted, except those in the Cabinet of the Mint.

Howells Coll. I have the honor to be with perfect
respects,
Sincerely,
Wm. H. Wood

No. 30

Memorandum of *Silver* Bullion transmitted to the **U. S. MINT** for
Coinage, pursuant to Act of March, 1855, by **JOHN J. CISCO**, Treasurer of the U. S.
Assay Office, New York.

October 31st 1859

10 BOXES, No.

.. / @ / 0

BARS. 118

Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.	Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.	Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.			
Mix ^d Dolls	580	2	234	20	901	Old am.	632	4	836	95	900	Mex Dolls	648	5	864	40	903
" Coin	88	1	92	25	898	"	33	4	841	15	900	"	49	5	864	85	903
Chilian "	89	4	798	90	902	"	34	4	840	95	900	"	50	7	1298	70	903
Mix ^d "	96	2	329	05	899	"	35	4	840	45	900	"	55	5	860	90	900
Span "	93	3	542	10	901	"	36	4	842	05	899	"	56	6	865	50	902
Lake Sup	625	2	325	15	911	Mex Dolls	43	5	863	70	903	"	57	6	1125	05	902
" "	624	1	67	90	902	"	44	5	864	55	903	Mix ^d & Plate	58	5	861	05	900
Mix ^d Coin	27	2	218	40	898	"	45	5	865	70	904	"	59	4	672	60	896
Span "	18	5	856	55	901	"	46	5	861	15	903	Mex & Span C	60	3	497	85	899
Mix ^d "	23	5	862	70	900	"	47	5	866	00	903						
			27	432	20				45	8522	65				46	7910	90
															45	8522	65
															27	432	20
															11820	760	75

20,796.96 ounces Standard @ \$1.16 $\frac{4}{11}$ per oz. = \$ 24,200.10
Deduct for Coinage, 121.00
Net Value, \$ 24,079.10

No 30

Silver USA C. N. York

\$ 24.079.10

December 2nd 1857

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

November 2 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$13,814.07 in Gold Coins, in payment
of invoice No 29.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. Deane
Treasurer

Pres. Assay Off

New York

Nov. 2/59

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Embint of the United States.
Philad^a: November 1. 1859.

Dear Sir,

I have to request that you will cause
the 50 Bbls of sneps on storage in your City, to be in-
sured in my name, to the amount of \$4000, for
three months, by some responsible insurance company.

As the insurance is to be made at
the expense of Dr Tammam, you will please call
upon him for the amount of the same.

The Policy of Insurance you will
please enclose to me.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint

C. A. Parker Esq.,
No. 18 Trinity Buildings,
New York.

To

E A Parker Esq
New York

Insurance of \$4000
on Sheep

Nov 1. 1859-

Treasury of the United States
1 November 1859

Sir

For enclosed Transfer Draft No 6083 please
send \$15,000 in half dollars & \$15,000 in quarter dollars

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Wm B Randolph

Acting Treasurer U.S.

James H. Watton Esq
Treasurer, U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. U.S.

Washington

1 Nov. 1899

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. Nov 9. 1857

Sir,

I request that you will cause
the sum of \$ 10 to be advanced to me from the
appropriation for incidental & contingent expenses,
at the Branch Mint Charlotte, for the current year.
This amount is required to meet expenses
incurred by me in the purchase here of acids &
materials for that institution.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
Saml R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint

Wm Howard Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Mint of the United States
Philad^a: November 1. 1857.

Sir.

As required by the 12th section of the Act of 6th of August 1846. and the regulations of the Department, I have made the examination of the books, accounts and money on hand in the Office of the Asst. Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia, and find the following balances in gold and silver coin, viz:

Treasury Fund	\$244,508.54
Post Office Monies	66,717.96
U. S. Loans	24,286.99
Coupons	18,310.00
Disbursements Fund	123,026.90
	\$476,850.39

corresponding with the balances as stated upon the account books in that office.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
Samuel R. Anderson.
: Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Mint of the United States,
Philad^a. Nov 1. 1869.

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination made at the Mint at the close of business yesterday, exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint viz:

In Gold Coins	\$ 124,589.60
In Silver Coins	99,728.05
In Cent Coins	801.69
In Ordinary Fund	27,254.06
San Francisco Br. Mint Fund	1,421.50
Repair Fund	24.59
	\$ 253,820.19

agreeing with the balances stated upon his books of account.

An examination of the Mint generally gave satisfactory evidence that the business of the institution is conducted with care and fidelity.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect, Your obedient

Sam^l R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Nor. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

J
Hon Amelbon
Sec Treasury

2 Letters

1. Monthly Comm. Mint Treasury
2. " " Asst. "

Nov 1. 1859.

December 1859

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

November 1. 1859

Sir

As per receipts and invoices N^o 30 + 31
I have this day forwarded in the usual
manner, Ten boxes silver bullion, of the net
value of \$24,079.10 and one box gold, of
the net value of \$25,044.13 for which I
will thank you to remit respectively silver
dollars, and double eagles

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Cisco
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Nov. 1/59

No. *30*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK, *Ten* boxes, containing

Silver Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *24079.10*)

Twenty four thousand
and twenty nine $\frac{10}{100}$ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and deliver to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Nov 1* 1859 For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoen

No. *31*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK, *One* boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *25041.13*)

Twenty five thousand
and forty one $\frac{13}{100}$ Dollars,

~~which we agree to insure against all risks, and deliver to the~~ TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Nov 1* 1859 For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoen

Copy.

American Medal.

Joseph Wright, by profession a painter, belonging to Philadelphia, many years since, exercised his ingenuity in making a die from which he struck one copy of Washington's head which is now in possession of the Honorable Ebenezer Hazard, Esquire. It is a unique and is peculiarly valuable, being considered the best metallic profile likeness of the illustrious Washington, which had ever been taken. The artist, in attempting to make a second impression, unfortunately broke his die.

Alden's Epitaph. 1814

Can any of your readers inform us where the above Medal is to be found?

J. H.

Boston, Nov. 1859.

Naperville Nov 10th 1859

Principal of U S Mint
Dear Sir.

I have about 36 oz of Canadian
Gold I wish to dispose off
if you would be kind enough
to inform me what it is worth
at the Mint and if I could
send it with safety to the Mint
and what way to send it
the quality of gold is better than
California and equal to Austrian
Gold if not better please answer
by Return of Mail and Sd
Your Humble Servt

James C Hoffman
Druggist

Naperville
Canada West

If the gold is in ^{smaller} ~~smaller~~ grains,
& equal to Australian gold, it
ought to bring \$19.50 per ounce or
nearly that -
James C. Hoggman
Japanee

If California gold ~~is~~ ^{Canada West} ~~is~~
from one dol. to 1.50 less. -

As to sending
gold to mint
for coinage

Nov 22, 1889

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a: Nov 22, 1859.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 15th inst. to
If the gold you refer to, is in grains, and equal to
Australian Gold, it ought to yield \$19.50 per ounce
or nearly that.

The most convenient mode for you to
send your gold to the Mint and receive the
process thereof, will be through the Agency
of a responsible Express Co. The gold, together
with a memorandum stating the denomination
of coins you desire the process returned in,
should be carefully sealed up, and directed
to U. S. Mint Philadelphia. Your address
should also be enclosed in the package, that
the Express Co. may know where to return the
process.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Howland,
Director of the Mint.

Mr James C. Hoffman,
Druggist, Naperville,
Canada West.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

R. M. HENDERSON, President.
W. M. BEETEN, Cashier.
J. P. HASSLER, Assistant Cashier. }

Carlisle Deposit Bank.

Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 21. 1857.

JR Snowden Esq., Cashier,

Dear Sir: Your favor of the

inst., with its enclosure, has been received.

Respectfully Yours,

W M Beeten - Cashier.

I enclose for collection

I sent to your address, on Saturday, a bag of spanish
quarters, containing 1000 \$ - with a request that you should send me your
Certificate of Deposit - This morning, I was informed by the Agent for Adams
W. C. Evreph, that you did not receive any letter from me, consequently you
don't know what disposition to make of it. - Have you received it?

Wm D
H M Deane &
Cashier
Deposit Bank
Cousin
PA

Respectfully
Yours

Nov 22, 1859

Minist of the United States.
Philadelphia Nov 22. 1867.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 19th inst was
received yesterday, and the proper instructions
given to the agent of the Express Co. in relation
to sending you the certificate of deposit.

Very Respectfully,

Samuel R. Chace,
Director of the Mint.

Wm. M. Butler Esq.,
Cash. & Treas. Agent Bank,
Barclay, Pa.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Dear Sir

Henry J. Drury
New York

Washington Medals
& Presidents

Nov 7, 1859 —

Nov. 7.th 59.

Dear Sir,

Referring to our correspondence on the subject I now send you the four varieties of the *Spermus* half dollars for 1859. in Copper, and the Franklin Peace Medals, Thus I send you as an honorary exchange for the 8 Presidents Medals (Washington to Sam. P. Bush) which you sent me on the 30th of Sept. ^{last} ^{against} for the above letters from Mr. Chas. B. Saxe, mentioning that he "had purchased the 8 Presidents Medals from you so that the exchange would come to him? But I hoped sending the exchange to you, and you may hand them to him, if as you may see proper.

Very truly
Yours
Samuel R. B. Saxe,
Director of the Mint.

Mr Henry D. Saxe,
New York.

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Mar 10. 59.

Dear Sir,

I have several excellent
specimens of the Washington token of 1783
and do not need any more, but as you have
enclaved one to me I will retain it, and
send you the enclaved specimen in coffee,
as an experimental half dollar.

I have two or three Eccleston medals,
and you need not send me the ones you
hope for.

You are misinformed as to the half
cents; to no half cents, to my knowledge,
have been sent out at the Mint.

Very respectfully
Yours at Service,
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Genl. Colburn Esq
Boston Mass.

Boston, Nov. 8. 1859.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed please find a fine Specimen of the Washington Cent of 1783. I offer in exchange for any of your patterns. I have the "Ecceleton Medal" of Washington - which I would exchange for the 4¢ Cents of rare dates - which I hear have been re-struck: 1831. 1836. 1842. 1852.

Very Respectfully,
Yours,

Jerch Colburn.

J. R. Snowden, Esq.
Director U. S. Mint.
Phia.

From y to Rich. Colburn
Boston.

Nov: 10/59.

Washington medals.

Appl. returned I f
T. H. Johnson Esq.
1884

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank _____

Date of Report _____

2-16156

Nov. 11th, 59.

Dear Sir:

The card which you sent me with the button returned to you, was placed in charge of my Clerk with direction to return it. This Clerk is now absent: when he returns, I will inquire of him as to his disposition of the card.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.

Samuel Pope Snowden
Quicksilver of the Mint.

Mr. Benj. Maines,
Elizabeth, N. H.

P.S. The Abraham token with bust of Washington on the obverse, to which you refer, I should be willing to receive and give you in return some experimental piece.

Elizabeth Nov. 3rd 1839
Hon. J. R. Snowden.

Dear Sir,

Several days
since, I sent you a button
with the head of Washington
upon it. As I have not heard
from you, I thought it
might have miscarried.
If you have received it,
please advise me, and also
what are your wishes in
the matter. I am

Res^t & Yours

Wm^h L. Garrison

From Vto/ Benj. Mainer
Elizabeth, N.H.

1/10 Nov. 759

Washington to Kenz

Treasury Department.
Nov 15. 1859.

Sir

I am in the receipt of yours of the 5th instant. After giving a careful consideration to the proposed improvement in the silver coinage of the United States as submitted by you, the Department has come to the conclusion that as the Eagle has for so long a period appeared as the device on the reverse of the coins of the United States it is not deemed advisable now to dispense with it. The Department therefore approves of the design submitted by you as suggested to you when here - that is that the Eagle be preserved - if that cannot be done it cannot be sanctioned by the Department.

I am very Respectfully
Wm. L. G. B.
Sec of the Treasury

J. P. H. H. H.
Director of the Mint
Philad^a

From Secretary of the Treasury:

Nov. 16/
1899

Proposed change in
value of half dollar, disapproved

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / NOVEMBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / NOVEMBER (CONT.)

To
The Secretary of the Treasury

Ministry Comptroller
Examination

2 Letters

Nov 30, 1837

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Nov. 30. 1859.

Sir.

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business to-day exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint, viz:

In Gold Coins \$61,867.31

In Silver Coins 56,498.42

In Cent Coins 6,207.85

In Ordinary Funds 17,861.13

San Francisco Br Mint Fund 1,421.50 — \$143,856.21

Corresponding with the balances as stated upon the account-books of his office.

An examination into the condition of the Mint generally, gave me the opportunity of ascertaining that the business of the institution is conducted with care and fidelity.

I have the honor to be,

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

With great respect, Your faithful servant,
James A. R. Chandler
Director of the Mint.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Nov 30, 1859.

Sir,

As required by the 12th section of the
act of 6th of August 1846, and the regulations of
the Department, I have made the examination of
the books, accounts and money on hand in the office
of the Asst. Treasurer of the United States at
Philadelphia, and find the following balances in gold and

Silver coin, viz:	General Treasury Fund	\$ 275,232.28
	Post Office Monies	98,809.09
	U. S. Loans	23,551.99
	Coupons	18,250.00
	Disburses Fund	145,679.76
		<u>\$ 561,523.12</u>

Agreeing with the balances as stated upon the
account books in that office.

I have the honor to be, with great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Samuel A. Kneller
Director of the Mint

Wm. Nowell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

No. of Bank _____

Date of Report _____

Department of State,
Washington, 30th Nov. 1859.
James Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director of the Mints
Philadelphia.

Sir,

I transmit, herewith, agreeably to
your request, the certificate, signed,
received with your letter of the 29th inst.
The blank certificate, to the same purport,
referred to by you, as having been trans-
mitted by you on 14th May, last, was
not received at this Department.

I am, Sir,

Very respectfully,
Edw. A. Smith, actg.

From

Edw Stubbs Asst
State Department
Washington City

Enclosing Medal
Voucher

Dec 1, 1839

R. M. HENDERSON, President.
W. M. BEETEM, Cashier.
J. P. HASSLER, Assistant Cashier. }

Carlisle Deposit Bank.

Carlisle, Pa.,

Nov 30 — 1857

J. P. Inouder Esq., Cashier,

Dear Sir: Your favor of the
inst., with its enclosure, has been received.

Respectfully Yours,
W. M. Beetem — Cashier.

I enclose for collection

I send you by Express today \$3.000 — old coin, for
which please send me your certificate for net proceeds at your earliest
convenience

No's 0184 Gold
.. 0578 Silver

\$9.00 U.S.

before Wednesday

I mtd

H M Barton

Carlisle Dist.

Carlisle
PA

ack receipt of your

com. -

Payment will
be made on Saturday

Dec 8, 1839

Minist of the United States.
Philad: Dec 5. 1867.

Dear Sir.

On examination I find that I was correct in stating, in my telegraphic despatch of Saturday evening (which was forwarded at my residence from morning) that the old coin furnished by you on the 24th ult. had been received at the Mint.

Your deposit will not be payable before Saturday next & the meantime you will receive from the Express Co. the Mint certificate therefore.

Very Respectfully,
James A. B. Venable,
Director of the Mint.

H. M. Burton Esq.,
Care of the Express Co.
Baltimore.
P. A.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

No. of Bank _____

Date of Report _____

Dec. 3.rd 89

Dear Sir,

If you send me
specimens of the pieces named
in your recent letter to me
I will endeavor to give
you some others in return
which may be interesting
to you.

Very respectfully
Yours at service,
Samuel R. Verrinder.

Director of the Mint

H. N. Rust Esq.
Collinsville.
Conn.

Collinsville Conn Nov 30th

Mr J. R. Snowden

Dear Sir

I have in my possession the original Dies in which the Franklin or Ring Cent was struck. I bought them in New Haven where you will remember they were first used by Broom & Platt who were Importers

I have had struck ten pieces in Silver and a few in Copper for Cabinet Specimens and will send you one of each for the collection at the Mint if you would like them

I have also an Electrotyp of the Cranby or Higley Copper (a variety not spoken of by Dickinson) I had only six of them made which I propose

to use as exchange. Do you like
make a private collection if so
perhaps you might like one or
some others I may have as I
have been picking up some
choice pieces among them the
Washington Half Dime of 1792

Should you wish any
of these matters I will be pleased
to hear from you
Yours Respectfully

H. A. Rust

Imm To

A. N. Rust &

Collinsville

Conn.

Die of Franklin
any cent &

Dec 3. 1839-

To
Hon John Appleton
As Sec State
Washington City

Enclosing vouchers for
Amt paid me for medical
request same signed
and returned

Nov 29. 1859

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Nov 29. 1857.

Sir,

In acknowledging, on the 14th of May last,
the receipt of \$635.17, from Edward Stubbs Esq. & Co
in payment of account for four fine gold medals
manufactured for your department, a bank certifi-
cate of the amount paid me was enclosed, with
a note in pencil on it, requesting the same to be
signed and returned to this office. The
certificate not having been received I enclose
a similar bank and have to request that
you will sign the same and return it to me.
It is required as a voucher in the settlement
of my account with the Treasury Department.

I have the honor to be,

Very Respectfully,
Your obt servant,

James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint

Hon John Appleton,
Asst. Secretary of State,
Washington City.

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Foreign Offices.

LANSING, STARR & CO.,.....74 King William St., LONDON.
 LANSING, STARR & CO.,.....9 Chapel St., LIVERPOOL.
 LANSING, BALDWIN & CO.,.....8 Place de la Bourse, PARIS.
 LANSING & KANE,.....21 Rue Corneille, HAVRE.
 DE CHAPEAUROUGE & CO.,.....HAMBURG.
 P. I. ZAYAS & CO.,.....HAVANA.

Home Agencies.

H. L. LEAF, AGENT,.....320 Chestnut St., PHILADELPHIA.
 W. H. TREGO, ".....164 Baltimore St., BALTIMORE.
 STONE & DOWNER,.....28 State St., BOSTON.
 ADAMS EXPRESS CO.,.....NEW ORLEANS.
 W. T. J. O. WOODWARD,.....CHARLESTON, S. C.
 A. A. COWDERY,.....NORFOLK, VA.

Office of the American-European Express Co.,

72 BROADWAY,

New York,

18

M. M. Punt,

Dear Sir:

Our case addressed to you has arrived with our Express,
 per Steamer *Vigo* from *Liverpool* and will be forwarded
 as soon as it can be obtained from the Custom House

Respectfully Yours,

H. S. LANSING & CO.

Marked
HSI 3175 } *Please send paper to Clear at Custom House*

N. B.====All Goods, Parcels, or Packages of any kind for Europe and East
 Indies, forwarded by the Express Companies of the United States, should be marked to
 the care of

H. S. LANSING & CO.,

72 BROADWAY.

Wm
A. S. Lansing & Co.
New York

Admiring me of
Receipt of package
15 my address for
"Vigo"

Nov 29, 1859

Notes

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
Nov. 29. 1859.

James Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I beg to hand you herewith Copies
of two replies to the Currency Circular
of April 1st, just received from the U.S.
Consuls at Bombay and St. Helena,
respectively.

Very respectfully
Yours obt^d Serv^t.
W. McKim
Comptroller

Wm. H. Medill
Comptroller

Enclosing papers

on currency question

Dec 1, 1859.

ARTHUR JENKS & SONS

COTTON & WOOL
MACHINERY



Bridgesburg Machine Works
Oct 28 1858

Col J. Ross Snowden

Dear Sir

We will
build the "Grinding Machine for Grinding
Rolls 36 inches long 14 inches diameter for
\$725 net cash."

Yours Respectfully
Alfred Denton

2
Mr & Co

Alfred Lusk Son

Bridestown
Pa

Proposition to make
Sewing Machine

for Mr & Mrs San Francisco
for \$725.—

Nov 11 1858

Ans. 5.

Gentlemen:

I have to request that you will build a "grinding machine for grinding rolls," for the branch Mint at San Francisco, of the dimensions and at the price stipulated in your letter of the 25th ult: namely, 36 inches long and 14 inches diameter, for the sum of \$725=

When the above machine is finished, you will please ship it, carefully packed, to "U.S. Branch Mint, San Francisco, Cal.?" and take duplicate bills of lading therefor, which must be presented at this office with your account in duplicate, when payment is requested.

Very Respectfully,
C. J. Townsend,
Director of the Mint.

Messrs Alfred Smith & Son,
Bridgton,
Pa.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

PARIS: 8 Place de la Bourse.
LONDON: 74 King William St.
LIVERPOOL: 9 Chapel St.
HAVRE: 21 Rue Corneille.

H. S. LANSING & CO.,
Foreign Bankers and Commission Merchants,
And Proprietors of
THE AMERICAN-EUROPEAN EXPRESS,
72 BROADWAY.

New York, Nov 26th 1859

Guthrie =

Please render us
an order from the "Secy of the Treasury"
on our Custom House to pass a case
add. to you re Steamer "Vigo" from
Liverpool

Yours respectfully
H. Lansing

To the U.S. Minr
Phila

From
A. S. Lansing 76⁰
N.Y.

order for package
per vice

Nov 28. 1839

OFFICIAL.

Treasury Department,

26th Nov^r 1859.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt, this day, of your letter of the 22nd inst, transmitting your accounts as Disbursing Agent for the Repair Fund at U. S. Mint Phil^a for the month of Nov^r as a final ac^t

To

John A. Walton Esq
Disbursing Agent. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Very respectfully,

Howell Cobb

Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. of Treasury

Washington

26 Nov '59

LETTER

FROM THE

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Dated *26 Nov 1859.*

Received *28 Nov 1859.*

SUBJECT:

Acknowledging the receipt of Disbursing
Agent's Account,

for the month of *Nov 2* 185*9*

th 1859

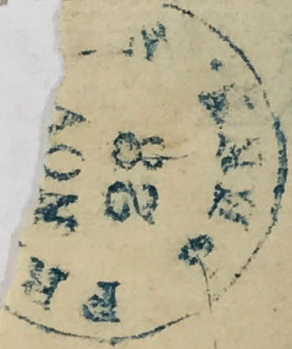
R. S.

lored I send you
up is silver ore, specimen of
able ascertain if you without so much trouble
worth any thing if it is and whether it is
thing me know not, by so doing you will be
oblige as old result you will much
d, Yours Truly
W. V. Masphers
Friend

Franklin Nov^r 26th
Lowden Esq.

Dear Sir
Enc
What some thi
t

James Esq Lowden Esq.
Philadelphia
Penn^a



December 1. 59.

Dear Sir,

The specimens enclosed in your
letter of the 26th ult^o is of no value
whatever, it being micaceous sand
stone, . One of the most common
stones in Senango County, and with
plentiful in many other places.

Very respectfully

and truly yours,

James Ross Hemmels,
Director of the Mint.

R. A. Brashear Esq^r

Franklin,

Senango County,

Penn^a

Wm F. S.

B. A. Trask
Franklin
Pa

Specimen sent for
examination - no
value

Dec 1, 1839

Memorandum of Silver Bullion transmitted to the U. S. MINT for Coinage, pursuant to Act of March, 1855, by JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

November 24th 1857.

24 BOXES, Nos 718 @ 741. 258 BARS.

Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.	Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.	Description.	Number.	Pieces.	Ounces—dec.	Fineness.
Pig	1830	12	2415 88	982½	M ^c C.	1851	3	633 28	877½	M ^c C.	1872	1	81 19	901
"	1	13	2476 78	967	Span. C.	21	5	896 38	898	"	3	1	162 14	897½
"	2	13	2564 45	995	"	31	5	896 17	898	"	4	4	816 03	898
"	3	12	2363 07	982½	Cal. U.S.C.	41	5	853 37	901½	"	5	5	839 15	899
"	4	13	2490 82	984½	"	51	4	858 88	893½	Ref. Bar	61	8	1467 83	998
"	5	13	2503 54	965	"	61	4	853 48	894½	M ^c C.	71	1	167 23	891½
M ^c C.	61	1	229 87	899	"	71	5	853 60	895	"	81	2	276 85	849½
"	71	1	88 17	898	Plate	81	1	133 20	881	Span. C.	91	4	769 10	901
Span. C.	81	2	288 73	896½	Bar	91	2	260 10	882½	"	1880	1	771 30	901
M ^c C.	91	1	100 00	898	M ^c C.	1860	2	330 09	897½	"	1	4	771 68	901½
"	1840	1	186 42	897	Bar	1	7	1492 20	997	"	21	4	748 00	900½
Mex. Doll.	1	4	864 67	899½	old U.S.C.	21	3	494 00	899	"	31	4	767 93	901
M ^c C.	21	4	860 57	897	Granulations	31	1	77 65	992	"	41	4	764 23	901
"	31	3	620 08	886	M ^c C.	41	2	277 23	841	"	51	4	781 30	901
Ref. Bar	41	10	2164 25	970½	"	51	4	812 10	897½	"	61	4	761 76	901
"	51	3	598 00	963	"	61	3	496 84	894	"	71	4	763 51	901
"	61	5	926 80	997½	Lake Sup	71	5	902 16	530	"	81	4	764 21	900½
Disk	71	3	527 95	939	"	81	2	285 35	365	M ^c C.	91	3	573 27	877½
plate/pasta	81	1	176 26	939	M ^c C. plate	91	1	101 12	893½	Jewelry Bar	1890	1	599 60	997
Mex. Sp. C.	91	4	698 30	898½	M ^c C.	1870	1	161 47	898	Bar	1	1	103 53	902½
M ^c C.	1850	3	607 41	898½	"	1	2	400 11	881½				69 12,749	84
			122 23752	02				67 12068	78				67 12068	78
													122 23752	02

Gold in 1847. 527.95. 3½.

69 12,749 84
67 12068 78
122 23752 02
258.48570 64

49,952.81 ounces Stand. @ \$ 1.22½ \$ 61,192.19
Deduct for toughening Nos. 1830. 1831. 1833 @ 1835, 1844 1845 1848, 50.63

\$ 61,141.56

2.053 ounces Stand. of Gold = \$ 38.20
(Deduct for parting, \$ 7.92
Silver alloy .03
Coinage, .19 8.14 30.06

Net Value, \$ 61,171.62

No 164

Received Nov 25th 1857

Silver 100.00

83 Mendenhall St. N. Y.
Nov 25th 1859

Ed 3 R Snodden

Dear Sir

I have for Sale (or
would Exchange for Rare
American Coins) A Unique
Massachusetts Copper Coin
a Rubbing of which I enclose
it is the only one of the kind
known to exist

Please answer at your earliest
convenience Yours Very Truly

John H. Smith

P.S. Could you supply me
with some 1859 Proof Sets
on Dollars only -

Wm L

J R Curtis

New York

Proprietor W

Exchange com

Nov 28, 1854

Mint of the United States
Philad^a. Nov. 26. 1859.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of
yesterday I have to state that I do
not wish to obtain the coin, or
tubbing of which you enclose.
If the piece is in copper as you
state it is undoubtedly a
counterfeit.

Very respectfully
yours J. H. Lenoir,
Samuel A. B. Chandler,
Director of the Mint.

Mr. J. K. Curtis,
New York.

Data on Medals from
Chas. Bushnell

Nov. 25, 1859

Nov. 25. 59.

My dear Sir,

I thank you for your esteemed favor of the 22nd inst. The article you enclose and very acceptable. The picture by Wright is a very interesting memorial of Washington, and also of the lamented artist. I prize it very highly.

I have obtained from Mr. Pacquet a list of the pieces you desire to have. There are several on the list that I expect to be able to send to you, in a week or two. I will do what I can to oblige you in this matter.

I am, with great respect,

Yours very truly,

James R. Chouder.

Charles F. Bushnell & Co. Directors of the Mint.
New York.

November The 25 1858

Dear Sir, We here send you some
of our mineral. Specimens somewhat similar to this
have been found in several places within a few miles of
here. Some say that some of them are valuable and that
there is silver in them. We have heard that sample of
some have been sent to you before, but we do not very
well understand the result, and the thing is still in
doubt. If consistent with your duty, and inclination
we would thank you to let us know what this is, so
that we can understand whether it is of value or
not. We would be pleased to have an answer
at your earliest convenience, Direct to
East Sandy P. O. Venango Co Pa. A Stamp
is inclosed to pay the postage on an answer back

Respectfully Yours

Jacob Shorts
David Scott

Wm James R Snowden

P.S. The small fragments are from the mine first
discovered near the mouth of Big Sandy; please
say if they are of any use if big pile would be of any
value, or what it is.

Paid 24
Hon James R Snowden
United State Mint
Philadelphia

Pa

East Sandy Pa
Nov 26

Wm A.

David Shultz

David Scott

Kenans Co
A

Specimen enclosed

No value

Dec 1, 1889

December 1. 59.

Gentlemen:-

I have received your letter of
the 25th ult^o. The stone which you
enclose is a micaceous Sand Stone,
very common in Senango County, and
~~elsewhere~~, and of no value whatever.

I am, very respectfully

Yours obedient servant,
Samuel D. Richardson,
Director of the U. S. Mints.

Wm. Jacob Porter and
David Scott.

East Sandy P. O.
Senango County,
Penn^a

Cambridge Nov: 23^d '89

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find a Washington cent which I am willing to exchange for a set of the pattern half-dollars of the present year.

This piece was sold to a collector at Boston for \$10.00 and subsequently came into my hands by ~~an~~ exchange in which I valued it at that price. If ~~this~~ piece is not in the Mint collection and you wish to make the above exchange, please let me know as soon as convenient.

Yr. Obedt. Servt.

Hiram S. Shurtliff

9 Graduates' Hall

Cambridge Mass.

Jm To

Aram Shultz

Cambridge

Mass

Washington

Nov 28, 1889

Nov 25th 59.

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged to you
for the Washington you send me - ob.
Washington Resident 1792. Rev. General
of the American Armies; and as an
honorary (in compliance with your
request) I enclose a set of the
specimens half dollar of 1859.

I am, very respectfully,
Yours obediently,

James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Mr. Oliver S. Hartleff
Cambridgeport
Mass.

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

HH
Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
November 22^d 1859.

James H. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your a/c of Gold, Silver & Cent
Bullion for the gr ending 30th June 1859, has this day
been adjusted at the Treasury per Rep cto 135.702, and
a balance found to be in the Tr. Mint on that day, which
agrees with your Summary Statement, as follows:-

Gold Bullion		\$ 174. 077. 36
Silver	00	129. 761. 66
Cent	00	168. 054. 95
Gold Coins		41. 196. 99
Silver	00	270. 090. 20
Cent	00	<u>70. 23</u>
Total		<u>\$ 783. 251. 39</u>

Very Respectfully

Your obt serv't

W. M. K. W.
Comptroller

Comptroller U.S.

Washington

Nov. 22/59

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Nov 22^d 1859

Sir

I have received this day per
Adams Express Co \$20.412.35 in
Silver Dollars in payment of Invoice
No 32 -

Very respectfully

Wm. J. Cisco
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

New York

Nov. 22/59

Office of the Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

New-York, Nov 22nd 1859.

Sir

I have this day forwarded by the Adams Express Co. for collection, Transfer draft No 6092. on you, in my favor for Fifty thousand dollars, (\$50,000) payable in silver coins. I will thank you to transmit in payment the following.

Half Dimes	\$ 5,000.
Dimes	" 5,000
Quarter Dollars	25,000
Half do	15,000
	<u>\$ 50,000.</u>

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant.
Wm. J. Cisco
Asst Treasurer.

J H Walton Esq.
Treas - U. S. Mint.

1000
263
—
737

assist. Treasr

N. York

Nov. 22/59

New York 22^d Nov 1859.

My dear

James Hoop Johnson

Director of the Mint of the U. S.

Dear Sir

We are as we have already ad-
vised you importers of English Nickel of the best quality, and which stands
among the manufactures of this country equal to any other, if not su-
perior to all other brands - and we are desirous to sell to you very fair
warehouse terms, if not more favorable, than you can purchase elsewhere.

We are also importers of Swedish Nickel, equal
if not superior to any other, and are willing to supply you in small
or large quantities from time to time, as cheap for quality, if not
cheaper than you can buy elsewhere - Can we not promise upon your
to give us a sample of your demand? Let us send you a 100 lbs of
^{Swedish}
our Nickel as a sample. Then you can try it, and if it suits you
at the price, furnish us with a order upon for future delivery - Send
me your own true price of which we propose to send you as a
sample (for your future guidance) of our Swedish Nickel

Test of Swedish Nickel

x 87% pure Nickel

x 33% Copper

Price — x 90% and Cash sold.

With great respect

Yours &c

John J. Hollister Esq

177.
33 7/8

x 90+

To the Hon^{ble}

James R. Snowden
Director of the Mint U.S.
Philadelphia.

Jan 23, 1859

Richard

Wm. H. C.
Wm. J. H. H. H. H.
New York

Newcastle Lawrence Co. Pa.
Saml H. Walton Esq Nov. 21 1859
Dr. Sir

On last Monday the
14 inst I left at the Mint a bag of old silver of
which the enclosed memorandum was taken by the
owner Wm Patterson Esq the Saturday previous when
the money was entrusted to me also gold as per
enclosed memorandum All of which it was my business
to deliver to the Mint

It appears the gold falls short
of the actual count, instead of paying a premium
And the silver pays much less than was expected
say only about 2% off

The result is unpleasant to me
very much so - And I beg you to write Mr. Patterson
and inform him how it could have occurred
was there counterfeited coin in the lot - or could
there be any other reason for the loss to him that
you can explain

Yours very respectfully

J D H. Henderson

$$\begin{array}{r} 4.82 \\ 2.40 \\ \hline 96 \\ 48.24336 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3826 \\ 11478 \end{array}$$

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$$1.074$$

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$$102.72$$

$$239.18$$

$$241.05$$

$$1.87$$

$$128.51$$

$$256$$

$$516$$

$$1536$$

$$256$$

$$1280$$

$$132096$$

$$768$$

$$864$$

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$$04$$

$$2.03$$

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$$18$$

$$4.50$$

$$03$$

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$$00$$

$$02$$

$$70$$

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$$8.62$$

$$34$$

$$828$$

$$1$$

$$232.77$$

$$241.05$$

$$13$$

$$21$$

B. H. Henderson

New Castle Pa.

Nov. 21/59

10	Sors	4.84	\$48.40	4.874
14	1/2 dr	2.42	33.88	33.60
2	20 F	3.83	11.49 ⁶⁶	11.48
1	Eng Humm		5.00	5.
1	Am Old		5.00	5.30
			103.77	103.62
	Returns		102.72	
	Shark		1.05	
			103.75	
			52	
			103.23	

Silver

1	Am Ark		1.00	1.04
21	Mex		21.00	22.03
2	Shaw		2.00	2.098
1	Palmer		1.00	1.054
10	V F 95		9.50	9.68
256	Am: 1/2		128.00	132.50
2	Shaw 1/2		1.00	1.03
1	Eng 1/2 Crow		.50	.56
3	Eng Phil's 22		.66	.67
2	Penner 10		.20	.22
93	Am: 1/4		23.25	23.95
161	Shaw Mex 1/4 - 22 -		35.42	37.35
63	- - 1/8 - 11 -		6.93	6.80
42	- - 1/16 5 1/2		2.31	2.10
			232.77	241.05
	Prom: —			

Office of The United States Mining Journal,

RAILROAD AND FINANCIAL ADVERTISER,

No. 9 SPRUCE-STREET.

New-York, November 21 1859

Colonel James Ross Snowden
Minist of the U. S.
Philadelphia
Pa

Dear Sir,

I send you a copy of this
Journal, in which we have previously
advertised for your "Copper for sale".

Will you favour us with an instruction
to advertise for the Proposals of December
10th as we reach the trade throughout
the country

Yours faithfully
John H. Miller

Wm

V. S. Mining Journal
New York

desires to insert
copy for sale
with fee

Nov 23. 1869

Elizabeth Nov. 21st 1859

Rev. J. B. Snowden,

Dear Sir,

Your favour, was received this morning. Enclosed you will find \$2. to pay for the pattern half dollars of 1859 as agreed. As to the button, I should not have sent it to you, had I not thought it would please you to see a button of the sort. I was not anxious to let it go. I called at the manufactris, and was informed by one of the partners that the dies were destroyed years ago. Should you desire it, please send me a list of what you think an

equivalent. I send you
a list rubbings of a few
tokens I obtained today.
As you perceive, one is Gen.
George Washington. I find
upon enquiring today that
there were six of the Abraham
Washington tokens found in the
possession of a relative or
friend of Abraham's. Of these
I have obtained 3, and ex-
pect a fourth tomorrow. None
of the Collectors have them. I
am trying to get the others,
before they are gone. I also send
you a rubbing of a very rare
medalet. I am,

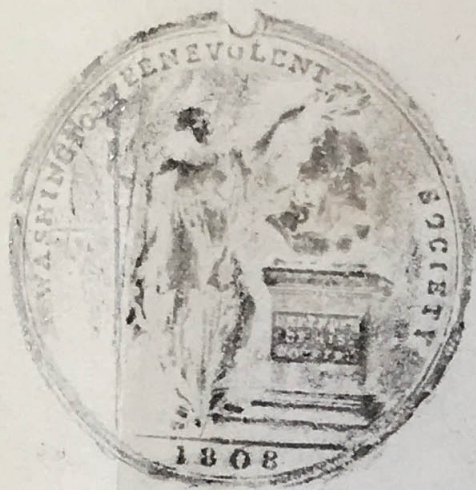
Res^d. Yours

Wm. H. James

Wm L
Bengtson
Elisabeth
N J

Washington

Nov 23, 1859



Rev. Representation of the
 Good Samaritan stooping
 over a person sitting on the ground.
 I cannot make a good
 rubbing of it - Silver



Nov. 19. 59.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the
17th inst. enclosing the Address Washington
taken. Which I will return, and send you
the letter press on the books you state.
The present I have none on hand, but
will have a few & make next week.
As soon as I obtain them I will send
them to you.

I would have returned the Washington
letter had it not been that your
estimate of its value was much greater
than my own. It is certainly an
interesting memorial and I would
be glad to have it in the Washingt
cabinet, if you will take such an
honorary gift as I may find it
convenient to send you.

Very respectfully,
Yours
Benjamin Davis Esq.
Elizabeth,
W.D. James
Director of the

Trust of the Mass. Assoc.
Phil? Nov 19. 1857.

Dear Sir,

The card referred to in your letter of the 8th inst was handed to me by the Director of the Trust with instructions to enclose it in his letter to you returning the Button. The letter had been sealed up and not desiring to open it, I wrote the card in the envelope behind the seal, and closed it up in such manner, that it could not be lost. It must have fallen out unperceived when you opened the envelope.

Respectfully,
H. R. Linsman
Director

Prof. Maria E. G.
Elizabeth,
New Jersey.

Curllsville Clarion Co., Pa.,

Mr. Snowden

Dear Sir

I have found some kind of Ore that I would like to have analyzed if not too much trouble for you to have it done at the Mint,

I have shown it to a number of persons here and they all say that it is some valuable mineral and are anxious for to have it tested none being able to say what it is, none of us understanding anything about Chemistry consequently we cant analyze it.

If you can have it tested I will send some 4 or 5 lb to you by Express.

Please write as soon as you receive this and let me know whether to send it or not.

Enclosed you will find
Stamps to pay postage

Yours in haste

J. Bittenbender

Nov. 19th 1859 }

Nov 19 1859

Specimens of
Hymenoptera
sent by Anna

Wm. H. Bittenbender
Cincinnati
Dec 10 1859

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 19th inst. If you send a specimen of the one you speak of I will have it analysed, but there is no probability of its containing gold or silver.

I am very respectfully

Yours ob^t servant,

James B. Henderson,
Director of the Mint.

Mr. J. Bittenbender

Carlisle.

Clarion Co.

Penn^a.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report
2-16156

9/10/59
Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
Nov-19-1859-

James Ross Snowden, Esqr.
Director of the U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I herewith respectfully enclose, for your
proper action, copies of three replies to the Currency
Circular of April 1st 1859, just received, from our
Minister to China, the U. S. Consul at Hong Kong,
and the Vice Consul General to British India, respective-
ly.

I am, respectfully
Your obedt. Servt.

W. McKim
Comptroller.

My
Hon H Medill

Comptroller
of Treasury Department

Enclosing papers
on currency question

Nov 21, 1859—

London City

Nov 19th - 1859

Mr Snowden,

Mint

Philad. Pa. I have

with send you a copy of a
Certificate giving to Henry
Martens for Cal gold dust
deposited April 27th 1854

Before purchasing the
said Certificate, I deemed
it safe to address you,
As the Certificate good,
and if so, will the Cash
be paid upon delivery

You will confer an
especial favor by an
immediate answer,

Remaining

Respt Yours

A. B. Steimbach

Address to
A. B. Steimbach
Auraria
K. T.

No 1141.

Nett value 2056. 29

Exp Amt ~~advanced~~ 100. —

\$1956. 29

In favor of Henry Mortimer
Dated April 29th 1854

Signed

W. H. Sturgeon
in Lieu of mint-

no
1140

Henry Martineau

of
Mm 2,056.29

A. B. Steinberger

R. H. H. H.

May 3

1854

Auraria
K.S.

May 19th to 21st

54

1854 Henry Martineau

Respecting Mint
assay memorandum
Pittsburg 1956.29
of a deposit rec.
of the Mint & paid
for in 1854

Nov 26, 1854

November 26, 59.

Sir:

Your letter of the 10th inst. inquiring as to deposit of gold by Henry Martiney, had been received.

The deposit referred to was made by the Mint Clerk of Adams & Co's Express on 1st May, 1854, and the Net Value (£2056.⁵²/₁₀₀) collected by him from the Mint on the 3rd May, and forwarded same day to Pittsburgh by the Express Co.

The Certificate alluded to in your letter and now offered for sale, is the ordinary Mint Memorandum furnished to each depositor at the time of payment for his information, and is of no pecuniary value whatever.

I am very respectfully,

Samuel R. Anderson.
Quint of the Mint.

Mr. A. B. Steinberger,
Anania, N. Y.

I
Mrs

Penzance

Elizabeth

N J

Washington

Nov 29, 1854

Hall of M^r. Ins.

Bali. Nov. 19. 1859

Hon L. R. Snowden

Herein you will
find a draft on Phila for
\$390— for amt. of bill for
Medals— You will please
send the Medals on to us,

A press of Business has
prevented attention to the matter
at an earlier date,

Very resply

Yours ob. sv.

John S. Selby
Actuary

Friends

John A Selby Esq
Actuary M^{rs} Just
Palmer
Md

Draft for \$390
enclosed in
payment for medals
for manuscript & press

Nov 21. 1854

Nov 21. 59

Wm. A. B. Esq
Acting Mayor & Council
St. Louis, Mo.

To the Hon. Secy of the
Treasury
Washington

Received Payment
James B. Richards.
Minister of the Mint

Mint of the United States.
Philad 3 Nov 21, 1857.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 17th inst enclosing draft for
\$250.00

Enclosed please find receipted
bill for 10 fine gold and 75 fine silver medals, forwarded
to you address to day per Adams Express Co., also
voucher for the amount paid for the medals, which
you will please sign and return to me.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

John A. Selby Esq.
Actuary, Maryland Institute,
Baltimore.
JAS.

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No. of Bank

Date of Report

Data on Medals
from Blake + Johnson

Nov. 19, 1859

Nov. 19 59

Further:

I am obliged to you for your kind favor
of the 13th inst. but it will be unnecessary
to trouble you any further in reference
to the button you describe; inasmuch
as it is only such asertain to
Washington that I am collecting.
The one you describe has on it
the head of La Fayette.

If you happen to come across any
medal, medallion, coin, token or
button on which appears the head
or name of Washington I will be
glad if you will send me a description
of it, and if it is not in my
collection I will ^{endeavor to} obtain it.

With thanks for your kindness

I am very truly & respectfully
Yours
Wm. B. Blake
Washington Penn. James Robt Chandler.



To the Treasury
(unofficial)

Recommending that
the salary of my clerk
be increased

Nov 18. 1889—

Nov. 11. 59

Mr. D., I know that this is not a favorable
time to say any thing in reference to salaries
of officers, and hence I am very reluctant to
trouble you with this line. But a sense
of justice induces me to suggest the
necessity of increasing the salary of my
Clerk. He performs my personal and
subordinate duties, and I should be glad to
pay him better than he now receives \$18.00
per annum. This is a small sum to support
a wife and family (as he has) in this
City. The Clerk to the Dept of the Army Office
now gets \$22.00 per annum. The
present Clerk (Army Office) receives \$25.00
per annum. I know you will consider
these figures, and I can hardly expect you
to recommend an increase by Congress.
I am, Sir, your obedient servant

The Court salaries require some adjustment.
That of the Clerk, for example, has remained
the same as established by the law of 1837.
Since when the duties have been
immeasurably increased, and the entire
expenses of living more than doubled.

I leave this matter in your hands
to do what you think best, or
to do nothing at all if you think
it most advisable.

I am, with great regard,
truly and faithfully, yours

Saml. R. Johnson

Hon. Nathl Cobb,

Sec. of the Treasury

Washington City.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

New York 17 Nov. 1859.
James Robt Snowden Esq. &
Director of the
U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir

Your Esteem favor
of 11th inst. enclosing the Philadelphia
Bank check on the Merchants Bank of
this City for Nine Thousand four hundred
Eighty three & Ten Dollars \$9483.80
being the amount of L. W. Snyder first bill
of Exchange, on you as Director of the U. S.
Mint, Philadelphia dated San Francisco
19 Oct. 1859. at sight sent you by our Mint
for collection, came to hand this morning,
& for this promptly paying us, accept our
Sincere thanks

Very Respy
Dear Sir, Your Obedt
Saml. C. Mason & Co

From
Sam^l. C. Paxon Treas^r
New York

1859

James C. Paxon & Munroe & Co.
- Directors of the -
United States Bank,
New York

ack. receipt
of \$5749.483.85
as Exchange & R
Hyden E. Fess^r,
&c

Nov 18. 1859

Office United States Treasury Extension,

Washington: November 17th 1858.

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find duplicate Vouchers for \$ 75.00 and Check for \$ 90.00 The difference between the Vouchers & Check is caused by one sixth of the silver being for private use in Photographic Office.

Please sign the Vouchers and return them to this Office

Very Respectfully & Truly

A. H. Bowman

Sup^r Treas^r U. S.

From To
Maj A A Bowman
Supt Treas. &c
Washington

Check for \$90—
enclosed in payment
for gratified Silver
Journals 10 per
cent—

Nov 18. 1859

^{paid}
Fine silver for Major Bowman U.S. Army

Ozs 64.90 fine silver @ $998\frac{1}{2}$ fine = std ozs 72.00

72 ozs @ 1.25 per standard oz \$ 90.00

Nov 15. 17

Dear Sir

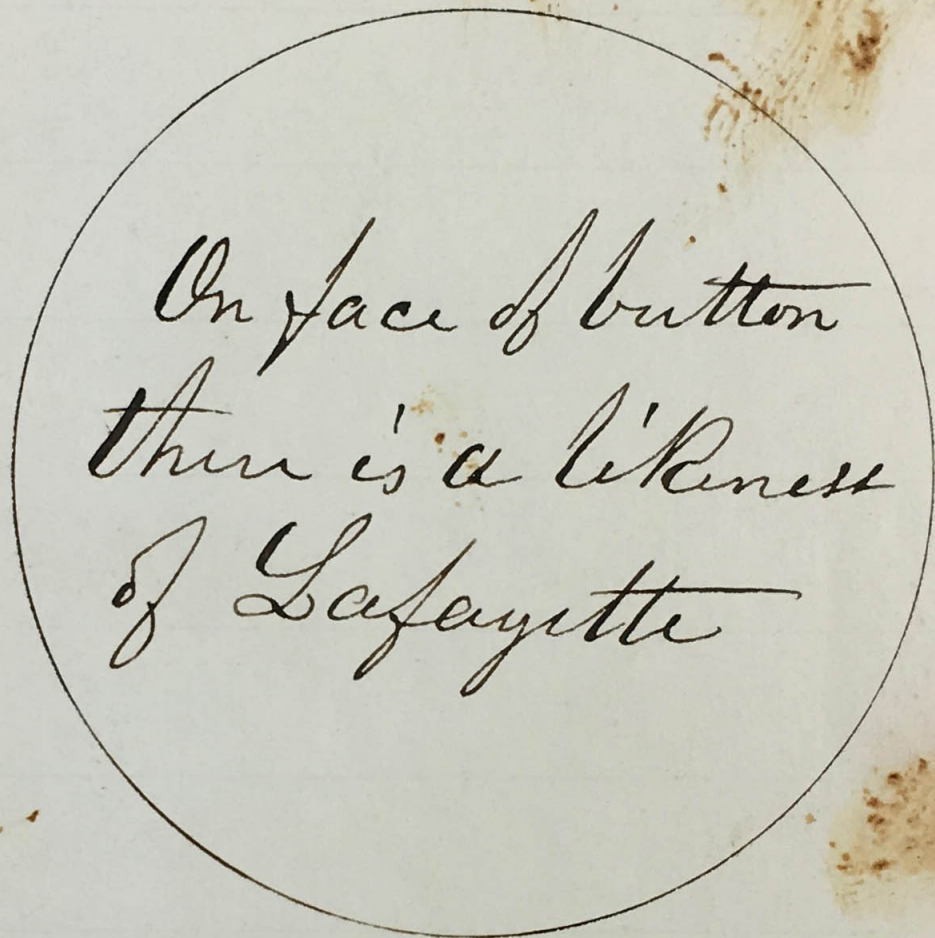
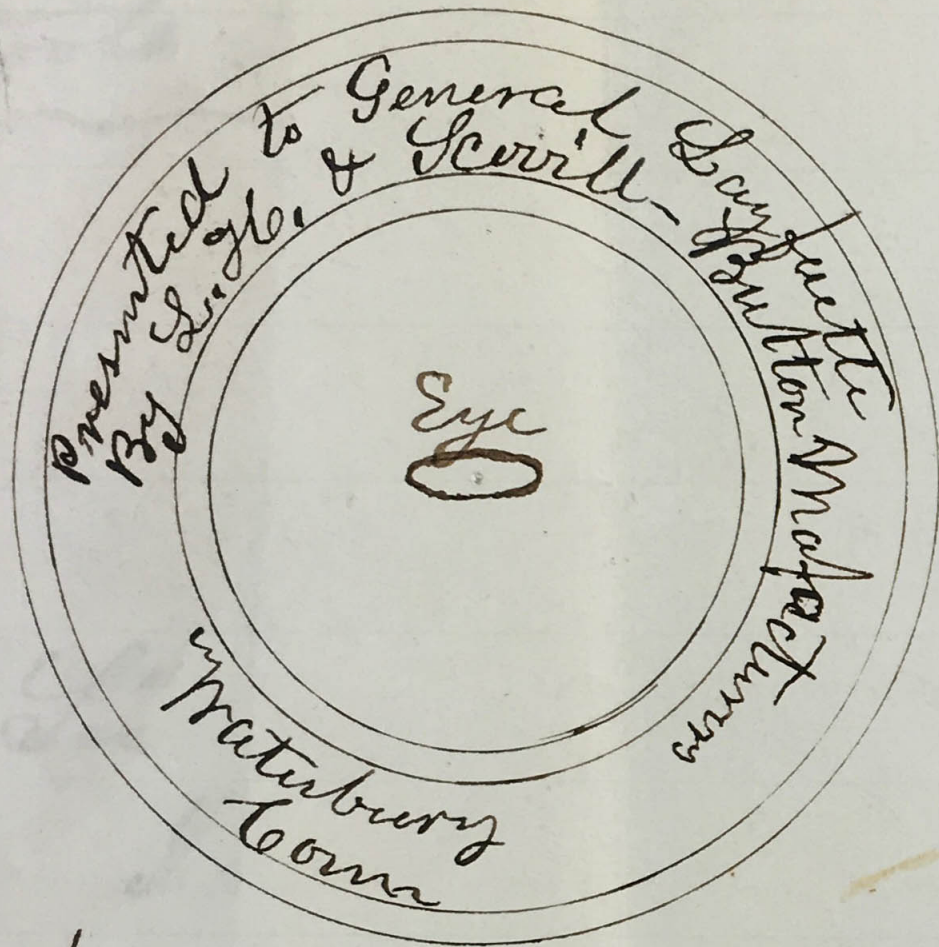
I have received your letter of yesterday
with the enclosed vouchers and the letter for you in
papers to be of a paper and a paper and a paper
forwarded to you a day for the same paper
to

From the vouchers I infer that paper
de vin printed and written, although you make no
mention of it in your letter and have accordingly
sent it in the paper

As requested I have signed the vouchers
and return them herewith.

Respectfully,
John W. Johnson
Director of the Mint

Wm. A. M. Johnson,
Spt Treas' Exchequer,
Washington City



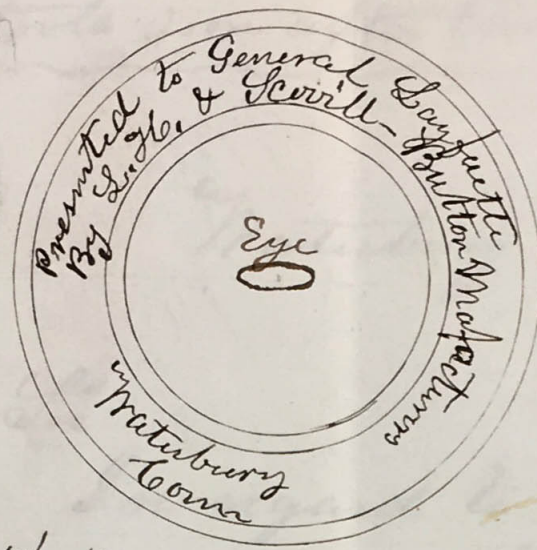
The firm was Leaveworth Hayden & Scovill

The dies with which it
with all their other.

... was destroyed by fire

Col Snowden

Dear



On face of button
there is a likeness
of Lafayette

to in

made

your former letter. The firm was Leavenworth Hayden & Scovill
they are all dead and the workmen with one exception,
a Mr Tompkins who we have seen. He informs us that there
was three spare ones made at the time and that each
of the partners had one, viz Mr Leavenworth, Mr Hayden
and Mr Scovill. We have enquired of the heirs of the above
and find that Mr Scovill melted his some years ago to
gild other buttons with as he had injured it in some way,
and Mr Hayden had lost his from his watch chain by
the eye coming off. Mr Leavenworth bequeathed his to
his son Elisha Leavenworth our present Post Master in
this place and he has kindly loaned it to us that we may
give you a rough sketch of it which you will please find
enclosed. The button is of solid gold about 20 carat fine
and is $\frac{3}{4}$ & $\frac{1}{16}$ inch in diameter and very well made considering
the facilities of those times. Mr Leavenworth will not sell the
button at any price, but said he would loan it to us to
have a die made to make some like it if you wished. We
have made enquiries of the best die sinker in the place and he
says it will cost about \$30.00 to make the dies faithfully like the old
one, and then they could be used to make some gold, silver, or brass
gilt. If you wish us to do anything more in the matter, please let us
know and we will do it cheerfully. Yours very truly - J. M. Blake & Johnson
J. M. Blake

Wm G

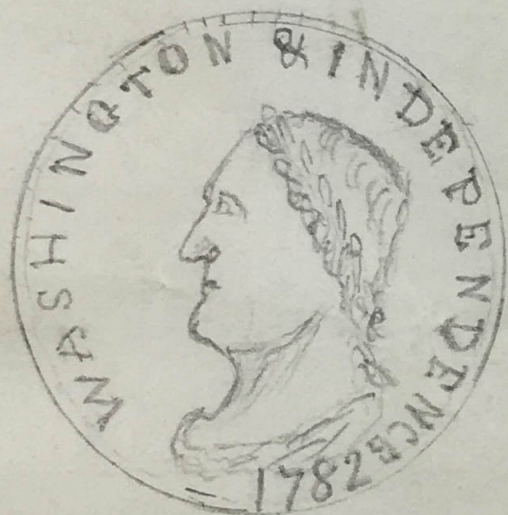
Mrs Clark & Son

Galena
Ill

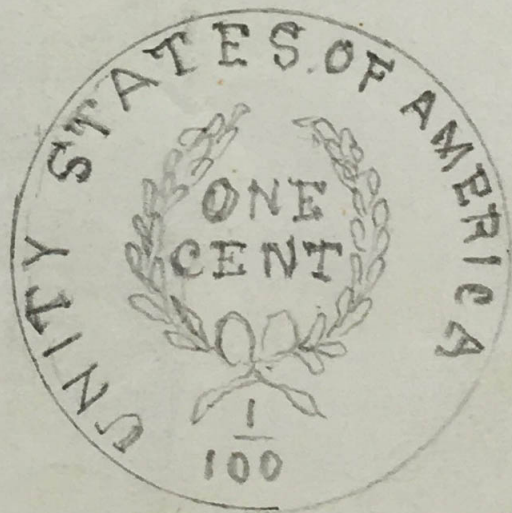
Washington

Nov 19. 1859

this is the true size



(or 1783)



the last figure
not plain

Trin I here inclose for inspection a copy
of a Washington cent which has been in
my possession a number of years
if you want such a one
please send me word what
it will be worth

Joseph A Burch

Washington DC

New York Av Bet 4th & 5th

Dec 13/59 Replied that having several
copies of the Washington Token 1783
"United States of America" I do not
wish to purchase the one in his possession

Friend

Joseph A. Smith

Washington

D.C.

Washington

Dec 13, 1833

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. A. Smith

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Dec. 13, 1859

Elizabeth Nov. 17th 1859

Wm. James A. Snowden

Dear Sir,

I send you to day the Abrams Washington token. It is considered extremely rare. This is the only one I have ever seen. Bushnell has none, I understand in his collection. I have several of the pattern pieces previous to 1859. I should like to obtain the 4 pattern half dollars of 1859. If you will send them to me in silver, I will pay the value of them in silver, and give you the token. I think you should have retained the button I sent you. It was gotten up

by several of the button com-
panies in the year named
on the card, I sent. I think
the bust of Washington a
fine one. I remain

Most Resp Yours

Wm. J. James

Exchange Bank

OF

H. A. TUCKER & CO

Ed. Mendel with Chicago

Chicago Jan. 10th 1859

Director of the Wyckoff
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Will you favor us
by advising on what terms you will
give us say 2000 of silver coin for
a draft on Messrs. Drexel & Co.

Do you allow any difference?
We should want

\$1000 in quarters.

600 . . . halves

300 . . . dimes & half dimes

50 . . . other coins

Yours truly
H. A. Tucker & Co

[Faint signature]

From To

A A Tucker & Co

Bankers

Chicago

Dec

Exchange

Nov 18. 1834

Minist of the United States
Phila. Nov 18. 1807.

Gentlemen,

In reply to your letter of
the 16th inst I have to state that
if you send a draft on Messrs
Bishop & Co I will collect the
same in full coming out for me
if you desire a correspondence,
about of some and an-
swers in exchange. Therefore

Exchanges of this
character are made to accom-
modate parties at a distance
with exchange.

Very Respectfully,

J. R. Anderson
Minist of the State

Messrs H. A. Lusk & Co

Exchange & Bank

Chicago, Ill.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report
2-16156

London Nov 16. 1859

J R Snowden Esq
Glasgow

Dear Sir

Please find as the New Cent for the enclosed

Receipt No 2439

\$35

July 15

No 3318

25

Sept 22

\$60.-

Yours truly

Read Morgan, Kelly & Co

Nov 17th 59.

Gentlemen.

I forward to you to day by Adams's Ex.
Express. Sixty Dollars (60.) in Cent Coins for proceeds
of Certificates of deposit inclosed to me in your letter
of yesterday.

Very respy.
Yours, &c.

Samuel Rose Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Messrs. Reed, M. Grann & Co.
Lancaster
Pa.

Received of
Messrs. Reed, M. Grann & Co.
the sum of \$60.00
Nov 17th 1859

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Nov. 16th 59.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of yesterday, I have caused to be prepared Ozs. 644 $\frac{90}{100}$ fine Silver @ 998 $\frac{1}{2}$ W. fine, equal to Ozs. 42. of Standard Silver, of the value of \$90. If this fineness is such as you desire, you will please remit the value of the Silver and I will have it forwarded to you by express.

Very respectfully, Yours,

James R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Major G. M. Bowman,
Engr. in Charge Treas. Dep't.
Washington City.
H. J.

Office United States Treasury Extension,

Washington, Nov. 15th 1858.

James Ross Snowden Esq^r

My Dear Sir

My letter to you asking
you to furnish us with standard silver
was a mistake, it should have been fine
silver as you suggest in your letter

Yours Truly

A. H. Brown

Engr in Chgo. I. Dep.

From H^{to} Major A. N. Bowman
Engr. in Charge I. Depart^{to}

Nov. 16th
189 -

Fine Silver desired

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Hartford Nov. 16. 1859
A. R. Snowden Esq.

Dr. Sir.

Plum sent me
27 Silver Medals and
8 Gold do.
for the Connecticut
State Agricultural Society.
I should like to have
you make and send them by Express
form, if convenient —

Yours truly
J. A. Brown Treas.
Conn. State Ag. Society

From To

F. A. Brown Esq
Secy. Comm State Aff. Sec

Starkford
Comm

Order for Medals

Nov 18. 1839

Office of the Librarian
Philad^a. Nov 18. 1867

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
16th inst.

The medals you request
will be made as soon as convenient
and forwarded as indicated in
your letter.

Very Respectfully,
J. R. Browning
Director of Coins

J. A. Borman Esq,
Chairman,

Comm. Soc. of Friends,
New York,
Conn.

P.S. The medals will not be finished
very soon as we have a large number of other

orders of various orders.

To/ Secretary of the Treasury

Nov: 15/59 -

Proposing a visit to Europe.

Nov. 15th

59

For several months past I have entertained the opinion that a visit to the Mints of London and Paris would, in all probability be advantageous to our Coinage operations, and to the economies of our Minting establishments. My recent inquiries and investigations, looking to a reduction in our ~~expenditure~~ ^{expenses}, have confirmed the opinion that such a visit and inspection would be productive of some further advantages.

Without troubling you with the details, I may state a few of the points which would claim your attention. An examination of new operating and adjusting machines used in the Mints of London and Paris with a view to their introduction into our establishments. To examine and consider how we can provide an economical

arrangement to smelt the gold and silver
Sweep at the Mint, and thus avoid the
considerable loss and expense to which
we are now subject in the sale of
these Sweeps. To consider whether our
Compass dies may not be improved, and
in this connexion, whether it would be
advisable to secure the services of an
artist to be employed in the Engraving
Department. - The Law has authorized
the employment of an Assistant Engraver
at a salary of \$1500 per annum.

We endeavor to obtain from the Mint
at Paris the medal dies which were
prepared by order of our Government
among which are: Washington by
Boston, "Primo Augusti Hortibus"
and Gen. Greene at Putnam Spring.
"Salus regionem Australium" - and
other medals of a similar character. The
minting memorials properly belong
to us, and if retained should be
placed in our National Institution.

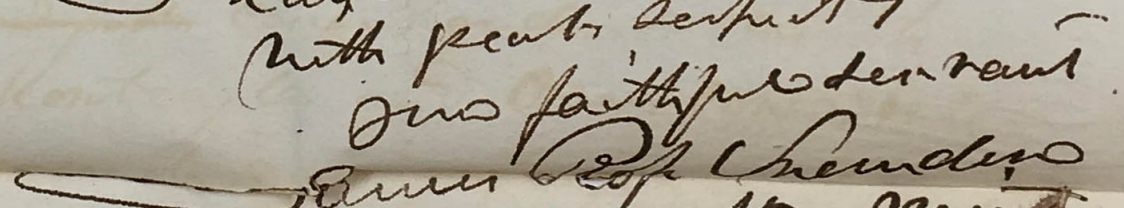
An opportunity would also be afforded for obtaining
copies of the Medallie Memorials of
our Pater Patrie - which have been
struck in England and on the Continent -
to be placed in the Washington Cabinet
I am collecting for the Mint. I have
now upwards of one hundred medals,
medallie, coins and tokens on which
the head of Washington appears.
I could also ^{give} ~~pay~~ some attention to the
subject of international coinage; and
of decimal weights and measures and
coinage, on which subjects I have had
a large ~~and~~ correspondence with
the Lords Montagu and Overstone; being
chiefly responses to queries put in by
them.

In these days of steamships and
railroads a trip to Europe is only an
excursion; an absence of several ex-
actly weeks would be sufficient. If
this suggestion and request be granted
I propose to be absent at that time.

as much business the least inconvenienced:
the public service at home, say in April
or May of the next year, or earlier,
if it is found to be more expedient or
convenient. I make the request at this
time in order - should it become your
sanction - that I may have the help
you me, and make such arrangements
may be proper. During my absence I
will expect my responsibilities at the chief
offices of the Mint to be in any degree
diminished.

I beg to add in conclusion that I
am entirely satisfied with whatever
views you may take of this subject.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant


James A. B. Chandler
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb;

Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO., 116 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS CO.'S GREAT Eastern, Western & Southern Express.

~~\$50~~

Philadelphia, Nov 15 1859

Received of Director of the U. S. Mint
one Bag and said to contain Fifty Dollars

in cents -

MARKED

Wm J. Wells
Grand Rapids
Mich

To be forwarded as addressed: THE EXPRESS COMPANY not to be held responsible for any loss or damage arising from fire, railroad accidents, ocean or river navigation, etc., UNLESS SPECIALLY INSURED BY THEM, AND SO SPECIFIED IN THIS RECEIPT

Freight, paid by the Mint

Insurance, _____

FOR THE PROPRIETORS,

Geo C. Thompson

Nov 15th. 59.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will please find duplicate receipt of Adams Express Co. for \$5. in Cent Coins, for proceeds of your dft. on Met. Bk. & M., transmitted by you on 8th inst. The net proceeds for your gold deposit (\$60.^{12 1/2}/₁₀₀) will be forwarded today through Harnden's Express & M.

Yours truly:

James R. Chapman
Director of the Mint.

A. J. Welles, Esq.,
Grand Rapids,
Michigan.

Banking Office of Wm. J. Welles,
(ESTABLISHED JUNE, 1852.)

Grand Rapids, Mich., Nov 8th 1859

Mr Jas Ross Snowden Esq Director U. S. Mint
Phil^a

Dear Sir I enclose herewith for collection

and my credit, my # 33 & 3 on Met^l Bk my \$50.

for which please send me value in pennies.

I also enclose this day a small bag of
gold dust (say \$40) for which I would like
dimes & half dimes.

Respy
W. J. Welles

Nov. 16. 59.

Dear Sir,

of 1783 in return, but as you have forwarded
the one you hope to me and desire one of
the thirteen half dollars - head of Liberty -
I retain the 1783, and send you the half
dollar - or rather the one which has on the
reverse "50 Cents".

I have never seen the Washington
meant referred to in the paper which
you enclose; and which I re-enclose
to you as requested.

I am, very respectfully,
Yours obt. Servant,
James R. P. H. H. H.
Director of the Mint.

James R. P. H. H. H.
Boston,
Mass.

Boston, Nov: 12. 1859.

Dear Sir:

Thank! for the pattern 44 dollar.
I wish to procure the pattern; (just finished, 'm told;) which has the word Liberty under the bust. for that purpose I send the '83 in silver - it is not a duplicate with me - but I am desirous to secure the new pattern. Pray tell me if you have ever seen the medal to which the enclosed paper refers?

Very truly Yr Obligd Servt.
Joseph Colburn.

Wm. L. Snowden, Esq.

From the Rev. Colburn,
Boston.

Nov. 16/
59.

Experimental Half dollar
desired.

DATA ON MEDALS
FROM CHAS. BUSHNELL

NOV. 22, 1859

James Ross Snowden Esq.
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia,
Pa.

New York, Nov. 22^d 1859.

Dear Sir,

Yours enclosing the pattern $\frac{1}{2}$ dollar, came duly to hand, and I take this opportunity of returning you my thanks therefor, as also for the medal you were kind enough to send me by Mr. Raquet.

The medal I spoke to you of in a former letter, as likely to come under the hammer, turned out to be a little different variety from the one I have. Mine has a plain border, while this has a chased one and with a loop for suspension. They are the only specimens I have ever seen. They are the work of the lamented Wright. I am however willing to divide with you, and accordingly send you enclosed the best one, which is the one with a chased border. It is in silver, & in very beautiful order. I think you will be much pleased with it. Should you find that you have one like it (which I do not think will be the case) I hope you will let me have it again.

I also send in the parcel, a very good copy of the pattern Washington Coin you spoke to me of as belonging to a party in the south. This copy, which is neatly made & nicely silvered, will, in the absence of the original, which you may never get, fill up a place in your list of wants.

You will find also in the parcel, impressions in wax of three seals which formerly belonged to Washington & which he was accustomed to wear about his person. I also send Gutta Serena impressions of the seals, and also a short history of them. You will find likewise a proof in gutta serena of the present 3 Cent stamp, taken by Wright, who made the die. All these I think you will be pleased with, as they are of an interesting character, and desirable as I should think

for such a collection as you are forming. I hope
they will arrive safe, and meet with a hearty
welcome.

I remain Very Truly
Your Obedt Servt.

Wm. L. G. Mills

Im Feb

Charles F. Burkwell
New York

Washington

Exchange

NW 25, 1859

I should like to get the following pieces. If they should turn up in your travels, you would do me a favor to secure them for, if they can be had at anything like a reasonable price.

1838. proof flying Eagle Dollar.

" proof flying Eagle $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollar. obverse seated figure.

" proof plain Eagle, without shield $\frac{1}{2}$ dollar, obverse, seated figure.

Half Cents

1796. 1831. 1840. 1842. 1845. 1847.

Three Cent piece. obverse seated figure.
Reverse, "3."

Copper Ring Cent.

I should like to get in silver
Franklin Medal. Rev: "Beaver & Oak."

The Franklin & Washington, reverse Eagle & globe
I have in silver & copper both,

The Franklin & Washington, rev: Beaver & oak, I have
only in copper, not in silver -

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1857 / NOVEMBER (CONT.)
